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## ALLIED LINE INTACT: FINE HEROISM BY ANZAC FORCES

LONDON, APR. 20 (REUTER).—THE ALLIED LINE IN GREECE REMAINS UNBROKEN SAYS A PRESS MINISTRY BROADCAST FROM ATHENS.

WHILE THE ALLIED LINE HAS BEEN MODIFIED AT SOME POINTS ON THE DEFENDERS OWN INITIATIVE THE LINE CONTINUES FIRM.

THE GERMANS ARE PERSISTENTLY ATTACKING FIERCELY ALONG THE WHOLE GREEK AND BRITISH FRONTS BUT "ALL THEIR VIOLENT EFFORTS TO FORCE A FINAL AND IMMEDIATE DECISION HAVE FAILED."

## BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC

Germans Suffer Losses

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Germany has now lost two of her three best U-boat aces, said Mr A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, speaking of the successes in the "ups and downs" of the Battle of the Atlantic at Tottenham to-day.

Schepke, the ace captain of U100, said Mr Alexander, was dead. His submarine had gone to join U99, captained by another ace, Otto Kretschmer, who was now a prisoner. Both captains have been decorated by Hitler with the Oak Leaves, the highest decoration which Germany has bestowed on her under-

water pirates.

Only three U-boat captains held this decoration.

Both Schepke and Kretschmer had addressed meetings for recruits for U-boat service and Mr Alexander added: "I don't think that this sort of news will encourage them much." Kretschmer was known and idolised in Germany as the "Wolf of the Atlantic." He had the highest record of destruction of any U-boat captain.

### Enemy Tonnage Lost

Mr Alexander stated that nearly 2,500,000 tons of enemy ships had been captured, destroyed or forced to scuttle. The burden of both the Atlantic battle was both grievous and heavy; but never for a moment in day and night was there any slackening in the prosecution of the fight.

"This battle has its ups and downs but it is a long-term battle. U-boats are German long-range aircraft have it all their own way," he said. "We continue to take toll of both and as the strength of the co-operation of the Navy with the Coastal Command increases and the number of escorting destroyers and corvettes expands, the toll of the enemy will increase until the Battle of the Atlantic is won."

The First Lord said that we had got to continue fighting, labouring and struggling to get back to something like the escort position we had in the last war when we worked not only as a single fleet but had five powerful Allied fleets and five times the present number of destroyers. "The amazing thing is that the Navy has kept the life-line open," Mr Alexander said.

### Conservative Estimates

He continued: "We published the other day that we had many hundred U-boat prisoners, but many more of the U-boat personnel lie at the bottom of the ocean. I can assure you that reports to the Admiralty of our anti-submarine captains are nearly always on the conservative side."

Speaking of the ten Coast Guard cutters America had sent to Britain, the First Lord said: "Believe me, they are some ships. Most of them are a little bit bigger than destroyers. They were built to stop the ships of bootleggers and I think they will be even more usefully employed in protecting our convoys."

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The Germans are bringing up more and more reinforcements of mechanised units, infantry and aircraft, but despite all these efforts the British and Greeks are fighting like lions and still hold their lines, says a Greek Press Ministry bulletin. Advancing in waves, the Germans attempted to secure at all costs the passes in the Kalabaka area but they failed and paid dearly in casualties for their failure.

In the Olympus area the Germans continued to sacrifice their soldiers in thousands without being able to break through.

The heroic exploits of the Australians and New Zealanders are weaving new legends about Mount Olympus.

### SITUATION STILL SERIOUS

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—The situation in the Balkans is still regarded here as serious.

Mount Olympus, on the right flank of the Allied line, was evacuated by the British troops before the Nazis took it, according to well-informed quarters in Cairo.

The operation was part of the British retirement to a shorter line, which is proceeding to plan under a heavy air and mechanised action.

Despite terrific casualties, the Germans continue to hurl masses of troops into the battle.

## ABYSSINIA SITUATION

Selassie Returning To His Capital

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Arrangements for the return of the Emperor of Abyssinia to his capital, Addis Ababa, are progressing with all speed, "Reuter" was informed in London to-day.

Emperor Haile Selassie was last reported to be at the head of his army in the Debra Marcos area some 100 miles northwest of Addis Ababa.

### R.A.F. Activity

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—In the Dessie-Alemata area, enemy positions and motor transport were bombed and machine-gunned, direct hits being obtained on fortifications and military buildings.

R.A.F. fighters machine-gunned motor transport north of Dessie, causing considerable damage and setting oil tankers afire.

### Mopping Up

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Imperial forces have practically reached the outskirts of Dessie, one of the last remaining Italian strongholds in the country. Operations in Abyssinia are bound to slow down somewhat because of the task of mopping up various Italian columns, it is pointed out here.

LATEST

## Spanish Cabinet Convened

MADRID, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—"Senor Sener made a statement on the various aspects of the international situation relating to the important diplomatic happenings of the present moment," declared an official statement after a two-day Cabinet meeting ending last night.

The Phalangist newspaper, "Arriba," follows this up with an article somewhat reminiscent of others printed at the time when Spain was faced with political decisions.

"Arguments alien to the only foreign policy to which our destiny lies cannot be considered," states "Arriba," adding that foreign affairs must be viewed in unity and those who think otherwise are traitors and cowards.

## Magyars Release Croats

BUDAPEST, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Admiral Horthy has ordered the release of Yugoslav prisoners of Croat nationality, according to Budapest newspapers, says a Budapest dispatch to the official German news agency.

The prisoners will be allowed to return to their homes in Croatia immediately, adds the message.

## Greek King To Lead His People

Issues Proclamation

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—"Remain united and steadfast and carry on the fight for the country's honour and independence; we must defend the nation to the very end."

This call to the Greek people was made to-day by King George of the Hellenes in a proclamation broadcast by the Athens radio to-night.

The proclamation reads: "Hellenes: After the untoward death of Alexander Korizis, who gave all his strength to the great struggle which has been imposed on the nation by two powerful empires, and in view of the critical moments through which the country is now passing, we have decided ourselves personally to direct the business of the Cabinet for the time being."

"A new government has been formed and sworn in, and we appeal to the Greek people and to all who are fighting at the front as well as to all who are contributing to our war effort behind the lines to remain united and steadfast and carry on the fight for the country's honour and independence."

"We must defend the nation to the very end. This duty is imposed upon us not only by the high traditions of our history and the reverence due to our brave dead, but also by the fact that in guarding the rights we have acquired by our victories and sacrifices."

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## SHAOSHING CAPTURED Ningpo Entered

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CHUNGKING, Apr. 20 (UP).—The High Command admits that the Japanese have captured Shaoshing, the wine producing centre, but claims that the Chinese repulsed a Japanese landing at Haimen after very bitter fighting.

Japanese In Ningpo  
SHANGHAI, Apr. 20 (UP).—It is officially announced that the Japanese are entering Ningpo one of the most important ports in Chekiang. Japanese reconnaissance planes saw 1,000 Junks loaded with Chinese troops withdraw from the town after it had been heavily bombed.

During the day, without loss to themselves, our fighters shot down three Junkers 87s, two Junkers 88s, two Messerschmitt 109s, one Heinkel 129 and severely damaged many others. Yesterday several other Savoia 79s were seriously damaged by our fighters over Melos.

## Nazis Lay Trail Of Death In London & East Anglia

(By "Reuter's" Air Correspondent)

LONDON, Apr. 20.—Reports filtering through from the dazed villages and small towns in East Anglia and the home counties and from the Thames Estuary districts to-day confirmed that there was a wider path of the German air blitz on London and the neighbourhood on Saturday night even than on Wednesday when many outer suburbs, including the southeast, suffered as heavily as the metropolis.

According to the German High Command, this was another reprisal raid for the R.A.F. attack on Berlin, but from the communique in which the raid was given pride of place, the large fire claimed in the Thames bend, the Millwall dock and Greenwich appear to have given the Nazis the most satisfaction.

The Air Ministry stated to-day that the attacks on London were heavy and caused much damage and that the casualties were expected to be "fairly high."

## Rescued By Destroyer

The work of the British navy is not confined to fighting, hunting and convoying, but often its ships are engaged in errands of mercy. This remarkable picture illustrates the point. It shows survivors of a ship sunk by the Nazis, being rescued in the lifeboats by a British destroyer. This is another phase of the Battle of the Atlantic.



## BULGARS GUARD GERMAN GAINS

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Bulgaria has been granted temporary new frontiers in Macedonia, Thrace and the Moravia region in Yugoslavia, according to the German radio.

Bulgarian troops will continue to advance in Western Thrace so as to occupy the territory limited in the east by a line leading from the Bulgarian frontier town of Servengrad southward to Edgach on the Aegean Sea.

In Macedonia, the Bulgarians will proceed as far west as the River Vardar and south as far as the former Greek frontier: in the northwest, the advance will be to the River Moravia.

The Germans emphasise that these lines are not to be regarded as definite frontiers.

INDIANS AT TOBRUK

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Indian mechanised troops are among the British forces defending Tobruk, well-informed circles revealed to-day.

The Indians have been taking part in the fighting in the Western Desert and have been in action in the west around Gebel and Akhdar.

There was no indication to-day of any change in the situation of the Axis forces in Libya.

Second To Duce

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Rome Radio, broadcasting birthday greetings to Hitler to-day, declared: "Hitler is no doubt one of the greatest men in history, but fate has decided that he should only reveal himself after Mussolini has been acknowledged everywhere as the greatest statesman in the world."

## Koo And Quo To Meet At Lisbon

CHUNGKING, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Dr Wellington Koo, the Chinese Ambassador to the Vichy Government, is on his way to Lisbon to meet Dr Quo Tal-chi, the new Chinese Foreign Minister, who is to return to Chungking from London by way of the United States.

Dr Quo Tal-chi has been for the past nine years Ambassador to Britain. After conferring with Dr Quo Tal-chi, Dr Wellington Koo will probably proceed to London.

## New Greek Cabinet Meets Ministers Named

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—The composition of the new Greek Cabinet, presided over by King George of Greece, was announced to-night, states the Athens radio.

The Deputy Prime Minister is Vice-Admiral Alexander Sakellarios, Chief of Naval Staff who will also be Minister for the Navy.

### Personnel

Other Ministers are:  
War.—General Panagiotis.  
Air.—General Nicolaidis.  
Communications and Railways.—General Korzas.  
Foreign Affairs, Finance and National Economy.—Mr Emanuel Underos.  
Public Welfare and Press.—Mr Nikoloudas.  
Agriculture and Labour.—Mr Demetrios.  
Interior and Public Security.—Mr Maniades.  
Education and Justice.—Mr E. Sektaris.  
Under-Secretary of State for Shipping.—Mr S. Theophanides.  
The new government took the oath at 5.15 p.m. this afternoon and held its first meeting immediately afterwards.

## Communal Rioting In India Costs Lives

AHMEDABAD, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—One person was killed and four were wounded when the police opened fire for the second time on a rioting mob to-day.

More than 400 persons have been taken into custody. The latest casualties in communal rioting which broke out on Friday are 56 killed and 304 wounded.

## R.A.F. Make North Africa Uncomfortable For Enemy

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—R.A.F. bombers and fighters inflicted heavy casualties and damage on enemy personnel and material in Tripolitania as well as in Cirenaica during yesterday and the previous night, according to an R.A.F. communique.

Enemy motor transport was destroyed in numerous localities, including Acroma, El Adem, Bardia and Monastir.

A number of enemy aircraft were bombed and damaged at Derna aerodrome and the Berka airport was also raided. Fighters carried out continuous offensive patrols and inflicted heavy casualties on motorised troops; they machine-gunned Gazala aerodrome, where they destroyed one Savoia

bomber and damaged a number of Fiat Fighters on the ground. Two Messerschmitt fighters were shot down over Gazala.

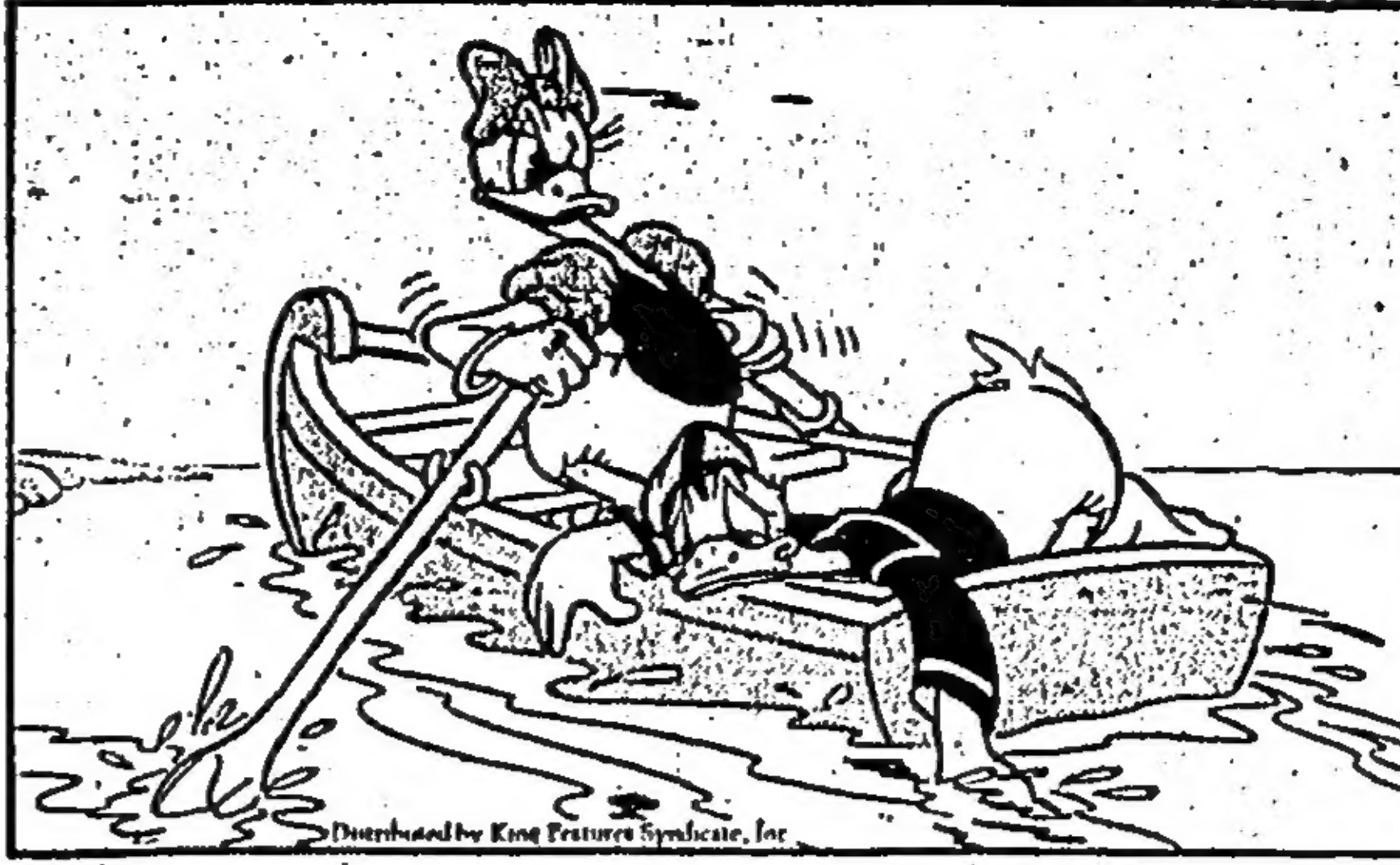
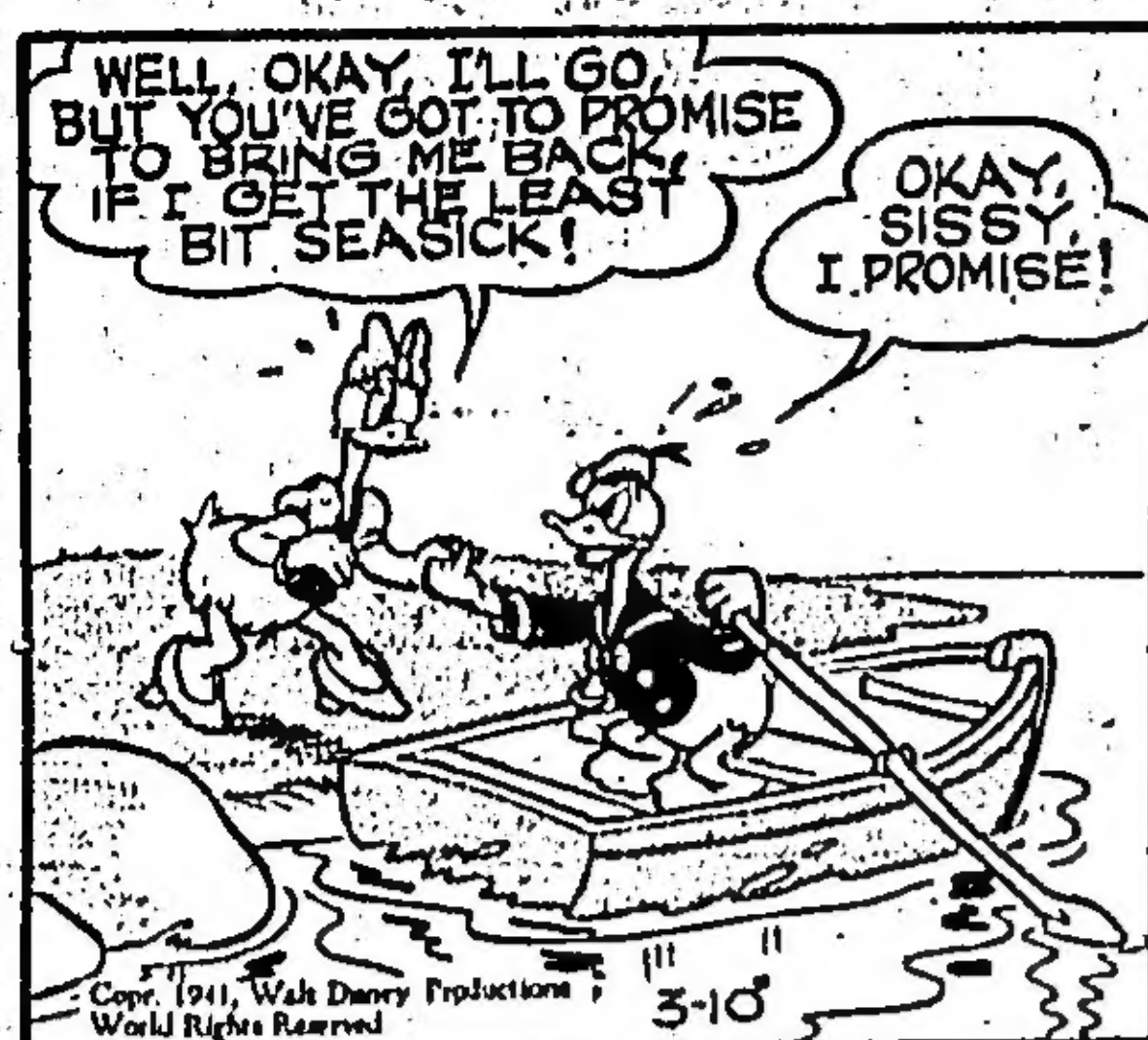
Junkers dive-bombers which raided Tobruk were engaged by British fighters and one was shot down and others were damaged.

During the night of April 18, R.A.F. bombers raided Benghazi, obtaining direct hits on a ship and starting fires on the quays. On the same night, Tripoli was heavily raided and about 15 tons of bombs were dropped.

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## 'School-Tie' Colonel Dismissed

**COLONEL R. C. BINGHAM** (Old Etonian), who wrote to "The Times" recently suggesting that only public school men were proving fit to receive Army commissions, has been dismissed from his post.

Capt. Margesson (Old Harrovian), the new Secretary for War, announced this in the House of Commons.

The colonel, he said, had committed a breach of King's Regulations, and an expression of the Army Council's severe displeasure has been conveyed to him. That disposed of the disciplinary side of the matter.

## Not Suitable

In addition, he had decided that this officer was no longer suitable for the command of an officer cadet training unit, and he had given instructions for him to be relieved of his command.

Cheers from all parts of the House greeted this decision. Brig-Gen. Sir Ernest Makers, Tory, M.P. for Knutsford (Old Wykehamist), suggested there was a parallel with a story by H. H. Munro, which described the very unfortunate results to a woman who set to tell the truth.

Captain Margesson did not reply.

## Earl's Grandson

F. G. H. Salisbury, "Daily Herald" War Correspondent, writes: The dismissed officer is a lieutenant-colonel of the Coldstream Guards, in the Regular Army Reserve of Officers.

The normal procedure now would be for him to return to his regimental depot, pending further employment.

The War Minister's announcement, however, complicates the question of finding him a position suitable to his rank.

It may be presumed that for the time being he will remain unemployed.

Lieut-Colonel Bingham, who is 55, is a grandson of the 4th Earl of Lucan.

## His Letter

His letter to "The Times" stated: "Our new armies are being officered by classes of society who are new to the job. The middle, lower-middle, and working-classes are now receiving the King's Commission."

"These classes, unlike the old aristocratic and feudal (almost) classes who led the old army, have never had 'their people' to consider. They have never had anyone to think of but themselves."

"This aspect of life is completely new to them, and they have very largely fallen down on it in their capacity as army officers."

Colonel Bingham also stated, "Never was the old school tie and the best that it stands for more justified than it is to-day."

## CHINA AIR ROUTES

Peking, Apr. 18.  
The China Aviation Corporation (a Japanese controlled organisation) beginning June 1 is opening three new air routes: linking Peking with Yenching; in southern Shansi; Swallow with Canton; and Peking and Tientsin with Tientsin-Domei.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

## HONGKONG ENGINEERING &amp; CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the NINETEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders of the Hongkong Engineering & Construction Company, Limited, will be held at the offices of Messrs. Sir Elly Kadoorie & Sons, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 30th April, 1941, at 12 o'clock (noon), for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended on the 31st December, 1940, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 24th to 30th April, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
B. ALVES,  
Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 17th April, 1941.

## GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 52nd Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, the 22nd day of April, 1941, at 11.30 o'clock, a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 9th April, 1941, to TUESDAY, the 22nd April, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

R. TAYLOR,  
Manager and Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 25th March, 1941.

## NOTICE

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## Honour For Mdm. Chiang

Mme. Chiang Kai-shek recently was presented with the blue triangle pin at the American Y.W.C.A. becoming the third woman in the world to receive the honour.

The presentation was made by Miss Lilian K. Haas, secretary of the Y.W.C.A. National Board for China, and was made in the presence of the Generalissimo, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, U.S. Ambassador to China, and many important Government officials and their wives.

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, wife of the President of the United States and Queen Elizabeth of England are the two other recipients of the pin.

Miss Haas, in presenting the pin, said that the "three triangles represent three Democracies—China, Britain and America."

## EMIGRANTS FROM COLONY

The number of Chinese emigrants leaving the Colony for the Straits Settlements during the month of March was 3,019.



The Misses Maureen Booker, Rachel Smith, Pamela Fritchard, Betty Richards, Betty Longbottom and Cynthia Sanhi, who will appear in "Pure and Simple," an attractive revue organised by the H.K.V.A.D. in aid of the British bombed areas. The show will be presented at the China Fleet Club Theatre on Friday and Saturday next.

## Billion in French Gold Stored in Martinique

VICHY, April 20 (UP).—The entire gold reserve of the Bank of France, estimated at \$1,000,000,000 (U.S.), has been transferred safely to Martinique aboard the French cruiser Emile Bertin, it is announced here.

The French cruiser narrowly escaped seizure last June when British authorities learned that Marshal Petain had asked a separate armistice, it was said.

The gold is now said to be buried in the mountain-top fortress of Desaix, at Fort de France, in 14,000 sacks under a slab of concrete and protected by naval guns from the old battleship Jules Ferry, which can fire 23 miles to sea.

More than eight months after the transfer, it was disclosed for the first time here that the gold had left France.

When the war began, the Bank of France decentralised its gold and hid it in secret places in the provinces. When the Somme line broke, and it became apparent that nothing would stop the Germans, the gold was gathered at vaults at Le Puy, in the volcanic fastnesses of the Auvergne central highlands.

The day the German armies crossed the Seine at Vernon, bank officials decided to move the gold to America secretly. Fourteen sacks, each containing 120 pounds of gold worth 40,000,000,000 francs, were removed hastily from the vaults of the Bank of France at Le Puy. The German armies on the same day were crossing the Seine at Vernon.

There was a wild race to Brest with the gold sacks. On June 12 the whole stock was embarked on the cruiser Emile Bertin, in charge of Commander Battet, who was given sealed orders. Watchers knew that if the cruiser turned north the gold was going to Britain, if it turned south the gold was bound for Dakar, Africa. But it went straight west at 30 knots and on June 18 arrived at Halifax, Nova Scotia.

The cruiser swung around Bermuda and reached Fort de France on June 22. The gold was quickly carried ashore and buried at the fort. The British have blockaded the port since.

French officials believe a chapter in history may still be made with this gold and the island where it is stored—an island discovered by Columbus, where the Empress Josephine was born, and where, in 1902, occurred one of the great disasters of all time, the eruption of Mont Pele, destroying the City of St Pierre and killing 40,000 persons.

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## UPPER LEVELS A.R.P. OFFICERS' DANCE A SUCCESS

More than 300 people, including officials of the A.R.P. Department, A.R.P. officers and wardens, officers of the Volunteer Corps, the Naval Volunteer Force and the St John Ambulance Brigade, shared an enjoyable time at the Club Lusitano on Saturday evening when a dance was given by the officers of the Upper Levels Division of the Corps of Air Raid Wardens.

The function was a big success, a buffet supper being served at midnight and dancing continuing till the early hours, the music being provided by the Middlesex Regiment Dance Band.

Divisional Warden H. R. Sequeira received the guests. Among those who attended were Wing Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, Director of Air Raid Precautions, Mr. B. H. Puckle, Mr. Wong Sik-kuen, A.R.P. Aide-de-Camp to the Governor, Mr. M. L. Bevan, Mr. Ho Kam-tong, Mr. Tse Ka-po, Major C. Champ-Kin, Capt. C. de Sallie Robertson, Mr. Ernest Manning, Mr. G. A. Fentress, Mr. A. Hyde-Lay, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Rumbold, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Baptista, Miss Priscilla Ho, the Misses Grant, Mr. A. E. M. Rafeek, Mr. George Sun and Miss Lorna Mok.

At supper, Wing Commander Steele-Perkins, in a brief speech, congratulated the Upper Levels Division for their initiative in arranging the dance, which he said was the first function of its kind since the inauguration of the Corps of Air Raid Wardens. The object of such a function, he said, was to bring all members of the Corps closer together.

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## Arctic Is Boring Nazis To Death

HUNDREDS of German troops stationed in northern Norway are being invalided home with the mysterious Arctic malady known as "Lappon disease."

The Military Psychiatric Institute in Berlin, it was announced recently, is trying to find a way to protect soldiers from the illness which takes the form of severe nervous breakdown followed by complete lethargy, resembling sleeping sickness.

It is believed to be caused by the long Arctic night, lack of vitamins, solitude and boredom, and it sometimes leads to violent lunacy.

It seems that the morale of German soldiers in the occupied countries is being so seriously affected that Hitler has ordered the expenditure of millions of pounds on German "soldiers' homes," to be established everywhere between the "North Cape and the Bay of Biscay."

The first twelve "homes" are to be built in northern Norway.

Y.M.C.A. VETERAN  
Mr B. W. Smith Leaving Shanghai After 26 Years

The Shanghai Navy Y.M.C.A. and the Navy Y.M.C.A. District Executive Secretary, Mr B. W. Smith is sailing for home in the President Pierce on May 3.

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD AIR MAILS  
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 14th April ..... Apr. 21.  
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 10th April ..... Apr. 20.

OUTWARD AIR MAILS  
Monday, Apr. 21  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."  
K. P. O.  
Reg. .... April 21, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... April 21, 5.30 p.m.  
G. P. O.  
Reg. .... April 21, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... April 21, 7 p.m.

Friday, April 25  
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."  
K.P.O. and G.P.O.  
Reg. .... Apr. 25, 4 p.m.  
Ord. .... Apr. 25, 4.30 p.m.

Saturday, April 26  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."  
K.P.O. and G.P.O.  
Reg. .... Apr. 26, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Apr. 26, 5.30 p.m.

Sunday, April 27  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."  
K.P.O. and G.P.O.  
Reg. .... Apr. 27, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Apr. 27, 5.30 p.m.

Monday, April 28  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."  
K.P.O. and G.P.O.  
Reg. .... Apr. 28, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Apr. 28, 5.30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 29  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."  
K.P.O. and G.P.O.  
Reg. .... Apr. 29, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Apr. 29, 5.30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 30  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."  
K.P.O. and G.P.O.  
Reg. .... Apr. 30, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Apr. 30, 5.30 p.m.

Thursday, May 1  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."  
K.P.O. and G.P.O.  
Reg. .... May 1, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... May 1, 5.30 p.m.

Friday, May 2  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."  
K.P.O. and G.P.O.  
Reg. .... May 2, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... May 2, 5.30 p.m.

Saturday, May 3  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."  
K.P.O. and G.P.O.  
Reg. .... May 3, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... May 3, 5.30 p.m.

Sunday, May 4  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."  
K.P.O. and G.P.O.  
Reg. .... May 4, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... May 4, 5.30 p.m.

Monday, May 5  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."  
K.P.O. and G.P.O.  
Reg. .... May 5, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... May 5, 5.30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 6  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."  
K.P.O. and G.P.O.  
Reg. .... May 6, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... May 6, 5.30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 7  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."  
K.P.O. and G.P.O.  
Reg. .... May 7, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... May 7,



# Hongkong News of the Week

A Page For The Evacuees

## Monday

April 14

**Wedding.** Two former members of the K.M.A. North China, who were quietly married at St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road, early on Easter Monday morning by the Rev. J. W. Ward, Army Chaplain. The bride, Miss Mary Doherty, late engineer of the K.M.A. at Lualaba, North China, who recently arrived in Hongkong to take a Commission in the Royal Engineers, and Miss Christine Mary Doherty, who recently joined the nursing staff of the Kowloon Hospital after service in the medical department of the K.M.A. North China.

Eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Doherty, of County Down, Northern Ireland, the bride previously served with the Government in India and in the Indian Medical Service. She is well-known in Ireland and other areas for her hunting and other sports activities.

The bridegroom is the eldest son of the late Mr. Robert W. Robson, of Messrs Dorman Long & Co., Ltd., and Mrs. Robson, of Cheshire, England. Before joining the K.M.A. he was employed by Messrs Simon Carille, Ltd., as Resident Engineer in Karabuk, Turkey.

In Pale Gold

The bride arrived at the Church on the arm of Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, General Manager of the Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd. by whom she was given away. She wore a gown of pale gold, fashioned after a Worth model. Mounted to the figure, the gown reached to the ankles, and had a row of tiny self buttons down the back, leading to waistline matching the wrist to elbow fasteners of the tight fitting sleeves. A softly pleated turban of the same material as the gown, trimmed with a

full, elbow-length veil of white cut tulle was worn. A spray of white lilies-of-the-valley composed the bouquet.

Mrs. R. A. Rodgers was matron-of-honour, and Mrs. Nan McLehlan, who wore a frock of dusty pink-crepe with navy accessories, and a corsage of Adonis daisies, was the bridesmaid.

Mr. Robert Parkin, who is on the Financial Adviser's staff of the China Command, undertook the duties of best man.

The reception was held in the Jacobean Room of the Hongkong Hotel. Afterward Mrs. Robson changed into a dress of black chiffon velvet on tailored lines, with which she wore while accessories.

Police Quarters Struck. The damage caused to the European Officers' Married Quarters at Central Police Station when the building was struck by lightning on Sunday morning, was found to be much more extensive than at first estimated.

The asbestos ceilings of two rooms on the top floor caved in and the floor was littered with wood-splinters and other debris from the roof, while a considerable amount of crockery, glassware and furniture was damaged.

The flat was formerly occupied by Inspector C. S. Fender and his family who are at present away in Australia. When fire broke out as a result of the lightning, the Brigade had to break open the door to gain admittance. Thick smoke, which was rising through the chimney, were quickly extinguished.

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## Tuesday

April 15

**Dull Tennis Match.** Postponed on two previous occasions, the doubles match between Paul King and Fung Yee-pat and W. C. Hung and E. C. Fincher, in the Tennis championships, was decided to-day. The latter pair won in straight sets, 6-1, 6-4.

The match was the longest seen for some time, despite the fact that three veterans in King, Hung and Fincher participated. All the players were guilty of innumerable mistakes and, except on two occasions, no point was won with more than two strokes.

The first set went to Hung and Fincher without much opposition but the Chinese Recreation Club improved considerably in the second set to take the lead at 4-1. That, however, was as far as they got, as Hung and Fincher reeled off five games in a row to win the set and match.

**Results:**  
Open Doubles: W. C. Hung and E. C. Fincher beat Paul King and Fung Yee-pat 6-1, 6-4.  
Club Championship Singles: R. E. Guest beat T. C. Monaghan 6-1, 6-2.

**Club Handicap Singles, semi-final:**  
J. C. Butler beat J. Sterling Lee 6-3, 6-3.  
Club Handicap Doubles: H. Blake and H. C. D. Knight beat E. R. Child and S. L. Maughan 6-3, 6-4.

**Women's Badminton.** The first round of the women's doubles in the badminton championship was played to-night at the Jewish Recreation Club.

Miss M. M. Silva and Miss A. Xavier beat Miss J. Chou and Miss M. Churn in a game which started slowly with the losers appearing to find difficulty in getting accustomed to the court. They lived up in the second game and caught in her placing of shots and fine recoveries.

The other matches lacked interest as the losers provided little opposition.

Mrs. Castro and Miss Gonzalez beat Miss C. White and Miss Wilson 15-3, 15-8, and Mrs. Terrible and Mrs. Zimmern beat Miss M. Noronha and Miss I. Pereira 15-2, 15-2.

**Bombing Fund Raffle.** It was learned to-day that the Sunbeam Talbot sports car donated by Gilman and Co. to the Bomber Fund Raffle, was won by the indomitable B280, Tulsa Singh, of Taiipo Station. The winner is advertising his sale, being willing to take the best offer for the vehicle.

Many of the prizes had not yet been claimed up to this afternoon, including the yacht contributed by the Wing On Shing Shipbuilders, which is rumoured to have been won by a "Captain" of the Permanent Wave Hotel, the winners of the Permanent Wave prize and round-trip tickets, donated by Helen's Beauty Salon and the Java-China-Japan Bazaar, respectively, applied for their vouchers.

Among the big prizes claimed to-day were: Single diamond ring (donated by Sennet Freres), Mr. Wong Hok-chan; lady's diamond and platinum watch (Directors, Ipsichian Bros. Ltd.); a European member of the staff of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank; electric automatic record player (Jimmy's Kitchen); Mr. N. Marquet's Inver Beauty Case (Colonial Dispensary); Mr. E. Griffin; Morrison-Mini Grand piano (Sung Fook Piano Co.), a member of the staff of the bank.

It is understood that three persons claimed more than one prize to-day and that some of the winners were once boys.

**Former Resident Dies.** Many in the Colony will be sorry to learn of the passing of Mr. John Bentley, formerly of the Colonial Insurance Society, of Canton, Ltd., news of whose death in his home town of Southport, Lancashire, some time in February, has just been received.

Mr. Bentley was an old resident of the Colony. Born on May 21, 1884, he first came out here in 1910 to join the staff of Messrs Thos. Cook & Son, with whom he remained until 1918, when he went on active service.

At the end of the War, he returned to Hongkong and joined the Union Assurance, he was transferred to Shanghai in 1924 and to Hankow in

1925, but in the following year he came back to Hongkong to take charge of the Secretariat Department of the Company until when he went home on retirement.

During his stay in Hongkong, Mr. Bentley took a great interest in Masonic activities and had held high office in the Grand Lodge of the United Grand Lodge of England.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Nita Bentley, who is in England.

**Golf Results.** The match played on the New Course, Fanning, on Saturday, April 12, between the women of the Kowloon Golf Club and those of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, resulted in a win for the latter.

The Ladies' Golf Union Spillies Fund now amounts to \$1,240 and \$30. The list is about to be closed and those wishing to subscribe are requested to send in their contributions to Mrs. K. MacKenzie, 47 Stubbs Road, before the end of the week.

**Kowloon City Titles.** On Saturday, R. K. Collins beat the 100 yds. race on the Kowloon Golf Club when he beat T. B. Low five and four over 36 holes. Collins turned two up after the first 18 holes.

On Sunday, A. J. Grose beat J. C. Butler five and six for the junior title over 36 holes.

At Fanning, F. D. Hunter (1) won the Shanghai Visitors' Cup at Fanning on Sunday when he returned a score of 162 for 36 holes on the Old Course.

D. I. Bosanquet won the prize for the best morning round with 72, and G. W. Beeve, for the prize for the afternoon round with 75.

Complete scores were:  
F. D. Hunter (1) 75 77=152; D. I. Bosanquet (2) 72 80=152; A. D. Purves (3) 74=152.

Hunter wins with the best score for the last 18 holes.

G. W. Reeve (14) 78 75=153; A. D. Hunter (11) 79 75=154; D. Purves (1) 77 78=155; W. C. Sheehan (8) 75 81=156; G. M. Park (6) 80 77=157; A. McKellar (7) 78 79=157; J. B. MacKenzie (10) 72 78=150; J. van Maughan (20) 75 83=158; Lt Col E. D. Mattheus (10) 78 83=159; J. Linaker (15) 77 82=159.

**Cholera Epidemic.** Hope that the present Cholera epidemic had already reached its peak, was expressed to-day by the Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, Director of Medical Services, who however declined to give any definite prognosis, in view of the well-known association between epidemics of infectious diseases of the bowels with high temperatures and high relative humidity.

Since the beginning of the year up to Monday last, there had been 639 Cholera cases and 375 deaths, for the week ending on Saturday last there were 20 cases and 24 deaths.

As regards the epidemic, there were seven cases and five deaths, from the beginning of the year up to Monday. There was no case and no death for the week ending on Saturday.

**Lantau Scheme.** In connection with the Lantau settlement scheme, it was learned yesterday that the Central Committee, which is responsible for co-ordinating the work of the sub-committees and for initiating investigations, has established a Protection Sub-Committee on which the Commissioner of Police has consented to serve as Chairman, and an Education Sub-Committee, which is equally fortunate, in having Mr. G. P. de Martin, former Director of Education, as its Chairman.

It is understood that when the time comes for the elements to be established, a local model village, which will be a self-sufficient system, will be introduced on lines which have been proved successful in the Government's Fai Hong Squatters Camp at Jardine's Lookout, where over 2,500 well-behaved inhabitants are organized into groups for their own protection, and in the Government Squatters Camp at Ngau Tau Kok near Kai Tak, where there are over 800 inhabitants.

The scheme involves the establishment of village settlements on Lantau Island and in the Port Shelter area as a wartime measure to relieve overcrowding in the congested urban areas and to encourage the local production of vegetables.

## Review Of

The

Principal

Topics

April 13

To April 19

April 16

Mr. Himsforth Married.

A gown of white French tulle in Watteau style, with a train three yards long, was worn by Miss Ethel Emily Pratt, nursing sister of Kowloon Hospital, when she was married during April 16, 1939, to Mr. Eric Himsforth, Deputy Immigration Officer, Colonial Administrative Service, Hongkong, at the Union Church to-day.

The Rev. K. MacKenzie Dow officiated and Mr. G. E. Longyear was at the organ.

The bride is the younger daughter of the late Major and Mrs. B. Pratt, of London. Her illusion veil was held in place by head-pieces of orange blossoms and pearls. She also wore a pearl necklace and pearl bracelet, and carried a bouquet of arum lilies.

His Honour Sir Atholl MacGregor, Chief Justice, gave the bride away, and Lady MacGregor in a smart dress of biscuit coloured lace with hat to match, acted as matron-of-honour.

The Misses Doris and Helen Kotewall, as bridesmaids, wore powder blue French tulle frocks in Louis XVI style with headpieces to match, and carried bouquets of pink roses. Little Wendie, granddaughter of Sir Robert Kotewall, was the flower-girl. She wore a dainty frock of shell pink French tulle.

The bridegroom, who is the elder son of the late Mr. H. Himsforth and Mrs. Himsforth of West Bank, England, arrived in Hongkong in January, 1939. He was appointed Deputy Registrar at the Supreme Court in February, 1931, and was attached to the Treasury in the following January. May has been Assistant Head of the Sanitary Department, in June, 1934, he acted as Deputy Registrar at the Supreme Court, and from July to September 1935, he acted as Deputy Registrar, Commissioner and Assistant, Colonial Treasurer. In November he became District Officer, South, and the following month Assistant Head of the Sanitary Department. During April and May, 1935, he acted as Head of that Department. In June he was appointed First Clerk and Police Magistrate, Hongkong.

In January, 1936, Mr. Himsforth became Administrative Assistant, Sanitary Department. In April he became First Clerk and Police Magistrate, and in the following March, Police Magistrate, Kowloon. After returning from leave in September, 1938, he became Second Police Magistrate, Kowloon.

Mr. H. L. MacKenzie undertook the duties of best man.

A largely attended reception was held later at the Gloucester Hotel.

The honeymoon is to be spent at Baguio. Mrs. Himsforth went away in a royal blue French moroccan dress with white silk and tulle, and a matching hat and handbag to match.

**New Science Building.** The foundation stone of the new Science Building of the Hongkong University at Pokfulam Road was laid by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, in the presence of a large and distinguished gathering.

The building is to be known as the Northcote Science Building in recognition of His Excellency's contribution which His Excellency has made to the promotion and advancement of education in the Colony.

**Rumjahn in Final.** S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn, holders, entered the final of the tennis championships on Saturday when they defeated Ho Ka-lau and K. H. Yip, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4.

Although it was thought the Rumjahn pair would have a narrow victory, Yip played inspiringly and his famous lobs functioned as in by-gone years, and Yip's drop shots, and fine play earned him many points. He was particularly effective in his smash shots.

Sirdar's ground shots were almost flawless and his low short drives flashed past the Chinese pair on many occasions. H. D., however, appeared a little off colour, his drives lacked sting and he was guilty of three double-faults.

**Friendly Wedding.** A pretty wedding was solemnized at the Peak Church to-day, when Miss Marjorie Dobson, nursing sister of the War Memorial Nursing Home, became the bride of Mr. Frank Buckle, chief electrician in engineering at the Government Trade School. Rev. Cyril Brown officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Buckle, of Middlebrook, Yorkshire. She arrived in Hongkong in November, 1936, after having served in Nyasaland as chief engineer of the Marine Department.

Mr. J. L. Anderson was best man. After the ceremony a reception was held at the War Memorial Nursing Home. Later Mrs. Buckle changed into a flowered blue silk dress with white accessories.

Mrs. D. E. Green, as maid-of-honour, wore a navy blue silk dress with green accessories.

The bridegroom is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. Buckle, of Middlebrook, Yorkshire. He was the more aggressive, particularly in the latter stages of the match when he stormed the net whenever opportunity offered, and although he was passed several times such tactics proved successful. He was the more aggressive, particularly in the latter stages of the match when he stormed the net whenever opportunity offered, and although he was passed several times such tactics proved successful.

Rumjahn was also seen to good advantage, his deep drives to the corners of the court being a notable feature, but he lost many valuable points in being granted by Government.

## Thursday

April 17

**Black-out Is Wash-out.** "Last night's Championships to-day when they beat success," said Wing-Comdr. A. H. on the Stand Court. With the exception of Steele-Perkins, Director of Air Raid, of occasional volleying duels at the net, the standard of play was pathetic. Observers was that Hongkong from to-day at least, and the Tails looked in 8,000 feet appeared a mass of lights, as if they still had something in First reports, from land observation, reserve.

That the black-out was fairly successful but the danger of relying on such observations was fully borne out by the reports of observers who flew over the Colony by plane.

Wing-Comdr. Steele-Perkins made a visit to win his second service game for the first time. At Causeway Bay, he managed to pull the fat out of the first Day, lights were showing from numerous sampans and other craft, and the 6-2, tremendous number of lights, he said, presented very great danger in time of war. The squatters' camps at Tai Hang and Blue Pool Road were very dark indeed in this respect.

Though the Central and Western areas were improved, there were still too many lights showing. However, he added it was a gratification to see the increase in houses which really made a considerable improvement in the latter stages and was primarily lighting of cigarettes in the streets and his partner, who was playing tennis, was again evidenced, in spite of the distance of their opponents' score (4-8) request of the A.R.P. authorities to put the public to refrain from doing so, but the finishing touch to the set and he said.

The black-out automatically began at sunset and ended at 10 p.m. No air-raid sirens were sounded and traffic continued on land and water without interruption.

Disappointing Tennis. Tui Wal-pul, but Wal-pul threw away several points and Tui Yan-pul, former holders, by mislensing his smashes.

## Friday

April 18

**Death of Miss Russell.** Miss Margaret Jane Russell died at 3 a.m. to-day at her residence "The Hermitage," Kennedy Road after a long illness.

Though she had not enjoyed good health since 1935 Miss Russell had kept cheerful and had continued to carry on her business, social and domestic duties. About two months ago she took a turn for the worse.

A native of Shanghai, Miss Russell was born in 1893 and had lived for 45 years in Hongkong. She was known to many societies in the Colony for her generous contributions to charitable bodies, and the Benevolent Society being a particular beneficiary.

A regular attendant at the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Miss Russell was one of the pioneer members of the church, it not the oldest member.

The Russell family left Shanghai some 50 years ago. Miss Russell's father being buried in the northern city. He was connected with the Green Island Cement Company. Mrs. Russell died in 1901 and her daughter, who was buried in her grave.

Miss Russell had a nephew in America who is the only relative apart from Miss Mary Clark, cousin, who had for long assisted her in the management of her household.

Miss Russell was the first tenant of Garden Terrace. At the time of her death she held leases on part of that property and on "Southcliffe," "The Hermitage," "Courtland," and "Kingsville."

**St. George's Society.** An appeal to all Englishmen in the Colony who are not members of St. George's Society to join, was made by Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, the Acting President, who took the Chair at the annual meeting of the Society, which was held to-day in the Board Room of the Hongkong Jockey Club. On the election of new officers, Mr. F. Hall was appointed President.

Among those present were the Hon. Mr. C. A. Alabaster, the Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. H. R. B. Hancock, Lieut. Col. H. B. Dowling (Past President), Messrs F. C. Hall, P. S. Cassidy, J. D. Denby, G. M. Park, V. C. Laburn, (Committee), Mr. S. T. Butlin (representing the Secretaries and Treasurers, Messrs Linstead and Davis), R. H. K. Cobb, G. B. Laburn, L. J. Cheung, Woods (members).

**25,000 Street Sleepers.** Twenty thousand street sleepers were accounted for in the recent Colony census under the direction of the Air Raid Precautions Department under the direction of Wing Commander A. H. Steele-Perkins, Director of A.R.P. It was learned to-day.

The census also served to reveal the number of people living in each district. There are approximately 15,000 people residing at Aberdeen; 36,000 at Bay View, 100,000 in the Central district, 210,000 in the Eastern district, 3,000 at Gough Hill, 22,000 at Quarry Bay, 31,000 at Shaikwan, 6,000 at Stanley, 69,000 in the Upper Levels area, 166,000 in Western district, 41,000 at Hung Hom, 33,000 at Kowloon City, 110,000 at Mong Kok, 173,000 at Shamshuipo, 30,000 at Tsimshatsui, and 148,000 at Yau-mat.

Street sleepers were included in the census but it is pointed out that the count regarding them cannot be very accurate because of the fact that they are constantly on the move and are not fixed to any one place.

**Tail Beats Rumjahn.** Tui Yan-pul entered the final of the tennis championships on Saturday when he defeated H. D. Rumjahn, 6-8, 6-4, 7-3, 6-4.

Tui had the edge over his opponent in service, which netted him many points, and his angled volleys were also successful. He was the more aggressive, particularly in the latter stages of the match when he stormed the net whenever opportunity offered, and although he was passed several times such tactics proved successful.

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entered the semi-final round of the Colony Open Doubles Lawn Tennis Championships to-day when they beat success," said Wing-Comdr. A. H. on the Stand Court. With the exception of Steele-Perkins, Director of Air Raid, of occasional volleying duels at the net, the standard of play was pathetic. Observers was that Hongkong from to-day at least, and the Tails looked in 8,000 feet appeared a mass of lights, as if they still had something in First reports, from land observation, reserve.

That the black-out was fairly successful but the danger of relying on such observations was fully borne out by the reports of observers who flew over the Colony by plane.

Wing-Comdr. Steele-Perkins made a visit to win his second service game for the first time. At Causeway Bay, he managed to pull the fat out of the first Day, lights were showing from numerous sampans and other craft, and the 6-2, tremendous number of lights, he said, presented very great danger in time of war. The squatters' camps at Tai Hang and Blue Pool Road were very dark indeed in this respect.

Though the Central and Western areas were improved, there were still too many lights showing. However, he added it was a gratification to see the increase in houses which really made a considerable improvement in the latter stages and was primarily lighting of cigarettes in the streets and his partner, who was playing tennis, was again evidenced, in spite of the distance of their opponents' score (4-8) request of the A.R.P. authorities to put the public to refrain from doing so, but the finishing touch to the set and he said.

The black-out automatically began at sunset and ended at 10 p.m. No air-raid sirens were sounded and traffic continued on land and water without interruption.

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## Saturday

April 19

**Miss Fisher Weds.** In place of the traditional all-white wedding ensemble, Miss Allison Jeannette Fisher wore a gown of ice blue satin, of modernistic French design, with shoes of the same material, and a veil to match, when she became the bride of Mr. Reginald Wilson Owens at St. John's Cathedral.

## Quips By "Argus"

With Acknowledgments

The Married Quarters at the Central Police Station were struck by lightning. The theory is that an atmospheric depression travelled up from Melbourne or Singapore or somewhere.

The tunnel blasting has become a nightly lullaby in some districts. It's all good practice for the nerves. It also suggests that we might get our money back by controlling some stalactites and making some show caves to entertain the tourists.

Three generals have got themselves captured in Libya. And are their tabs red!

And maybe if they crossed hens with geese we could have Easter eggs roundly wrapped with gold paper.



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## A MORAL DEFEAT

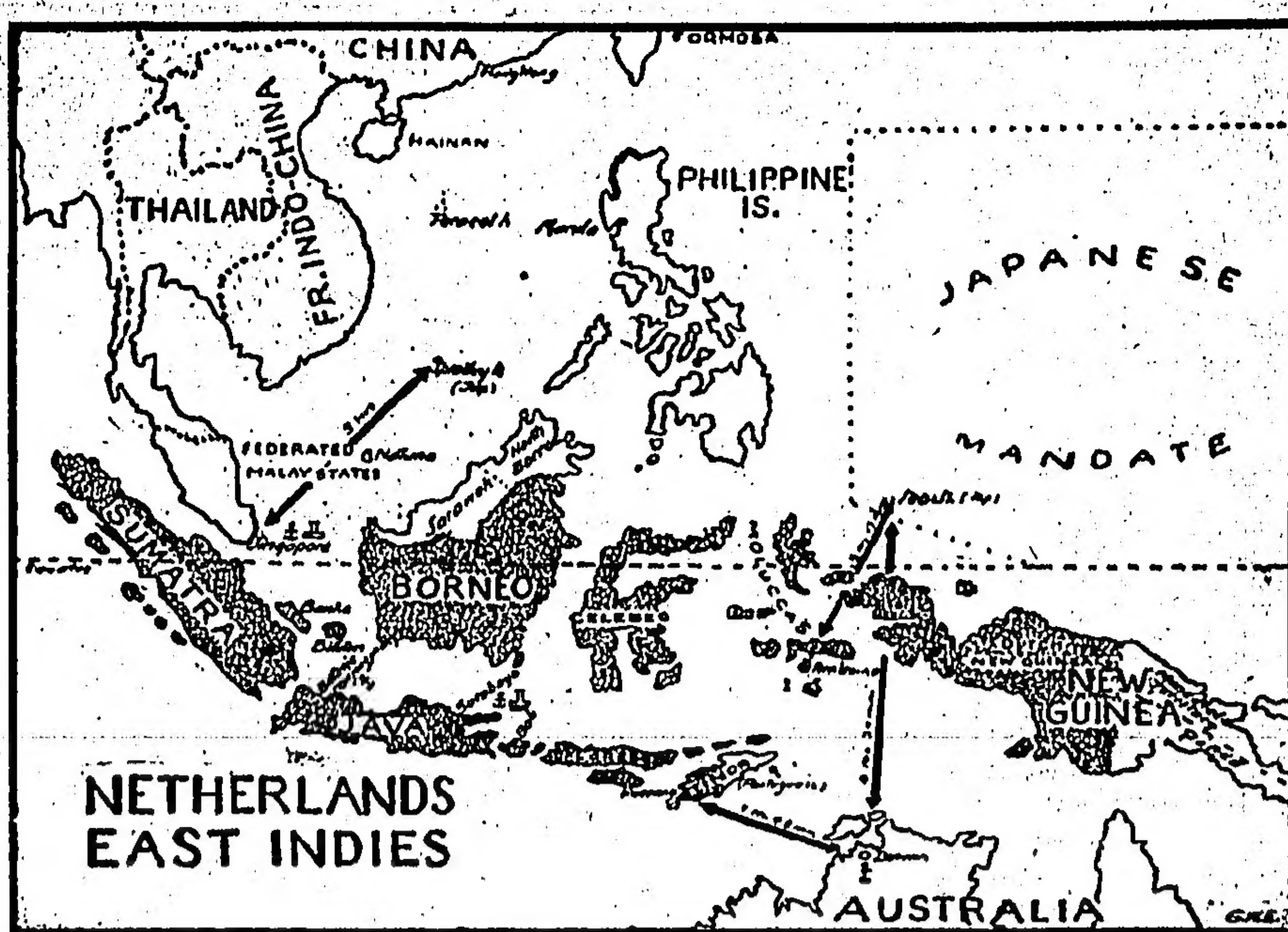
DICTATORS are unpleasant phenomena. They are products of greed, but fortunately the qualities that bring them into being also carry the elements of their destruction. Their nature denies the possibility of continuity. A dictator must either continue to expand or fade into insignificance. Either eventually is fatal. Hitler and Mussolini cannot hope to escape their fate, and indeed Mussolini has already had his eclipse, while Hitler though still "enjoying" the fruits of aggressive onslaught, must see the definite tide of revolt rising against him.

London has for some months past been the centre of a number of governments exiled from their homelands. The representatives of each nation are not idly constructing a miniature court in exile, but are energetically organising revolt against dictatorship by fostering and encouraging their unfortunate citizens remaining under German rule. Reports, rumours and authenticated accounts continually filter through German censorship. Details of revolt here, resistance there and sabotage everywhere indicate how small a hold the Nazi system has gained, and proves that once Hitler's Gestapo and army of occupation weaken, their cause is lost. The Yugo-Slavia decision to fight rather than submit tamely is an indication of the increasing repugnance felt towards the Nazi system, and with it the growing courage to resist. Yugo-Slavia may succumb to sheer overweight in numbers; Greece too, may find it necessary to submit, but have obliged Hitler to fight in that part of Europe which he had hoped to gain by treachery, without a battle. He has a war which he tried to avoid. He may win it, but it will cost him men, ammunition, equipment, gasoline—all of which are precious to him. The fact that he has had to fight at all is for him a defeat.

The nations of Europe have been saying "yes" to Hitler for many years. Yugo-Slavia and Greece, said "no." Hitler met moral defeat when the British resisted. He has met moral defeat again, and though Britain may have weakened her position in Crete and Lybia, though she may be "running a great risk," as Mr Churchill put it, it is well that she has sent what aid she could to Greece. It now remains for the United States, who also promised aid—their Minister to Belgrade gave pledges in the name of his country—to act quickly and powerfully.

WHEN THE WILHELMUS IS SUNG IN ANY TOWN IN THE INDIES, it is the almost invariable practice to sing the British National Anthem as well. Portraits of King George hang side by side with those of Queen Wilhelmina, and Hollanders speak of Mr Churchill as "our leader." The feeling of solidarity between the two nations is complete.

In surveying the strength of our Allies and their ability to contribute towards the prosecution of the war, complete dependence can be placed on the Netherlands colonial empire. It is in the economic sphere that the Indies can chiefly help. The supplies of sugar and tea which are being sent to fulfil orders placed by the Ministry of Food, together with the Netherlands Indies' purchases of Lancashire goods, are tokens of the desire of the Hollander in the East to do everything in his power to assist Great Britain. The monetary agreement covering British purchases in the Indies virtually means that the goods need not be paid for until



# The Free Dutch Oversea and what the Japanese discovered

By A Special Correspondent

two and a half years after the end of the war, the money being meanwhile invested in Treasury Bonds, although wherever possible the Indies are drawing upon their sterling balances for purchases from within the British Empire.

## "Assistance"

AFTER the German invasion of the Netherlands, the Japanese appeared to think that the whole structure of the Indies would collapse and that the Dutch colonial empire would be ready and eager for Japan's "assistance" in economic and even in political matters. Instead, they found the Governor-General well able to maintain the status quo in a country which felt quite strong enough to safeguard its interests in trade, defence, and internal government. This greatly impressed the Japanese.

The Dutch believe that one of the mistakes of the French Indo-China authorities, when the Japanese were making demands against them, was their appeal for help to the United States. The Japanese took this to be the best moment for increasing their pressure, and when they found that the United States was unable to do more for Indo-China than express concern about the future of the country they simply walked in.

## Will Fight

It is impossible to exaggerate the difference between Indo-China and the Netherlands Indies. In the former, there was defeatism from the moment France collapsed; in the latter, every setback in Europe had the effect of increasing the Hollanders' will to victory. No one who has stayed in the Indies more than a few days would ask, as some who do not know the country and the temper of

its people sometimes ask, whether the Netherlands Indies would fight if they were attacked. The moral of the people, their Government, and the fighting forces has never been higher.

The Japanese discovered this during the recent economic conversations. There is probably more truth than might appear on the surface in the assertion of Mr Kobayashi that the Netherlands Indies are not regarded by the Japanese Government as coming within the scope of the "new order in greater East Asia."

## Standpoint Clear

MR H. VAN MOOK, the director of economic affairs in the Indies, who was appointed by Queen Wilhelmina as Minister plenipotentiary to lead the Dutch delegation in the talks with Mr Kobayashi, has made the Netherlands Indies' standpoint perfectly clear in a memorandum circulated recently to members of the Volksraad. The Netherlands delegation had asked the Japanese whether the leadership of Greater East Asia, mentioned in the text of the tripartite pact, was meant to comprise the Indies.

The Japanese delegation answered that the pact had in no way altered relations between Japan and the Asiatic part of the kingdom of the Netherlands (said Mr van Mook). Verbal assurances were, moreover, given that Japan does not aim at such a leadership in the Netherlands Indies.

Although the negotiations were not immediately affected by the pact, Mr van Mook has made it clear that further developments in the relations between Japan and Germany are

being closely watched. His statement concludes with a declaration on future policy in the Indies:—

## Co-operation

"It seems hardly necessary for the Government to declare explicitly that they would most emphatically reject a new order implying the authority of a foreign Power over this part of the kingdom, and they can neither appreciate nor promote a development in economic world relations leading to the inclusion of the Netherlands Indies in an Asiatic block."

"It is of vital importance for the Netherlands Indies not only that complete sovereignty be maintained in the country itself but that friendly economic relations be promoted, without discrimination and on as large a scale as possible, with all those parts of the world which are not barred from communication with this country as a result of the war. . . . The development of our relations with our Eastern neighbours will in itself always constitute an integral part of this country's economic policy. It is only in the aforementioned sense that the Government can interpret the promotion of prosperity through co-operation with other countries; they repudiate most decidedly any form of co-operation that would imply a preferential position for the other party."

## Air Strength

THE N.I. BUDGET for the coming year provides for big arms purchases in the United States. Orders have been placed for large numbers of aircraft, including bombers, fighters, and naval flying-boats, and if deliveries are maintained at the expected level, the air forces of the Army and Navy will before the end of 1941 be nearly four times as big as they are to-day. The greatest importance is attached to air defence in view of the large area for which protection must be provided. Flying-boats carry out daily patrols throughout the archipelago, and in repulsing an attempted invasion bombers would be used to concentrate at the threatened points in sufficient strength to deal a decisive blow.

The air forces are to-day already a very potent arm, and if the expansion programme of the coming year can be achieved without interruption, the Indies will feel completely safe. The programme includes the training of pilots, air and ground crews, and the extension of the chain of air bases from Borneo to New Guinea. There are close on 100 landing grounds and flying-boat bases in the Indies, with refuelling stations far in the interior of the various islands. Some of these stations are inaccessible by land, all supplies being taken by air.

## The Army

The N.I. Army, said to number over 100,000 men, is well equipped for operations in Java and the Outer Possessions. It is not highly mechanised, but is armed with modern weapons, call will be Sourabaya.—(M.I.)

and, apart from the European units, comprises Indonesians from those races who have given proof of their fighting qualities in the various colonial wars of last century. All Hollanders and Eurasians (who are classed as Europeans) are liable for conscript service with the forces, and a proposal is now being discussed for enlisting native Militia if sufficient instructors and the necessary weapons are available. The Army, which has paid special attention to internal security measures since the invasion of the Netherlands, is responsible for coastal defence. The fortifications at all strategic points are exceptionally strong, while the naval bases at Sourabaya and Amboyna are considered to be well-nigh impregnable.

## The Navy

THE NAVY, whose great regret is that the German invasion of Holland put an end to the plan for a battle fleet to be stationed in the Indies, cannot be compared with the navy of Japan, but it is a useful force for harassing an invader and protecting the trade routes, and the fighting qualities of the Dutch seamen would be more than a match for the Japanese in equal combat. In circumstances of numerical inferiority the Indies Navy must depend to a large extent on its submarine fleet (the size of which is surprising) and its destroyers. Attention is being paid to torpedo-boats, with which the Navy has been newly provided. These vessels, which are being built in large numbers at Sourabaya dockyard, are fitted with torpedo tubes and anti-aircraft guns. In favourable conditions they could do much for large numbers of aircraft, including bombers, fighters, and naval flying-boats, and if deliveries are maintained at the expected level, the air forces of the Army and Navy will before the end of 1941 be nearly four times as big as they are to-day. The greatest importance is attached to air defence in view of the large area for which protection must be provided. Flying-boats carry out daily patrols throughout the archipelago, and in repulsing an attempted invasion bombers would be used to concentrate at the threatened points in sufficient strength to deal a decisive blow.

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## Dutch and British

JAPANESE emphasis on the status quo has probably been the main factor in preventing any formal Anglo-Dutch alliance in the Far East with arrangements for the joint defence of the Indies and British Malaya, but it is difficult to find anyone in N.I. to-day who does not think that Britain and the Netherlands would stand together in the event of a challenge to either in the Far East. Although there may be no staff conversations on the spot, it cannot be overlooked that Dutch naval and military officers are in close touch with the British defence ministries in London.

British and Dutch interests appear to be identical in Malaya, a territory from which America draws important raw materials, including rubber and tin. If equipped for operations in Java and the Outer Possessions. It is not highly mechanised, but is armed with modern weapons, call will be Sourabaya.—(M.I.)

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Oh, that's the landlord—we gave this party to break our lease and now he won't hear of it!"



## Buns, Not Buds, Grip Riviera

As the time for the annual flower battles arrives, the villa dwellers are too busy standing in food lines to think about tourist attractions, reports Associated Press from Cannes.

Normally about 50,000 American and British tourists would be basking in the Mediterranean sun. Now there are about 4,000 foreigners, most of them Englishmen, who are unable to leave and who are scrambling for rations and coal like everyone else.

### Villas Empty

The Casinos, except in Monte Carlo, are closed, the hotels are only a fifth filled, and the pretentious villas are empty.

Where shiny, sleek automobiles from the United States and England used to stand under the watchful eyes of uniformed servants are now only rows of bicycles under the care of a bellboy. The flower battles which are held yearly with processions of decorated automobiles and showers of flowers were not even considered.

### Standing In Line

Residents are standing for hours in line since everybody is required to appear personally for his 100 grams (3½ ounces) of butter, 50 grams of cheese, and one egg.

Still anchored in Riviera ports are residences of their owners are the yachts of Prince Andrew of Greece, uncle of Greek King George II, who had his windows battered down for the cold weather, and the former Khedive of Egypt, Abbas Hani, who lives on his rations and asks no favours.

## Whoopee Rebuke In Pulpit

THE British community in Calcutta has been rebuked from the pulpit of the local cathedral for spending thousands of pounds on entertainment in wartime.

Canon Boulton, their critic, appealed to the community to reconsider the ways in which they could best associate themselves with the people of the home country during its present ordeal.

The Calcutta financial paper "Capital," supported Canon Boulton. "His picture is not overdrawn," it said.

"Our people at home are going through hell, and their amazing cheerfulness and fortitude cannot disguise the physical facts of the process."

British residents have defended themselves in letters to "The Statesman."

One Briton described Canon Boulton's sermon as "an attempt to turn us into a bunch of smug and hypocritical Dismal Jimmies and at the same time to paralyse business."

## Prisoners Of War Jazz Band

An orchestra and a jazz band are helping to enliven some British war prisoners in a camp in Germany.

Letters received by the Red Cross and St John War Organisation show that prisoners are now receiving many letters and parcels.

One officer says: "Ten thousand letters have arrived here."

Another: "New rule lets letters from home be four pages (two sheets). Please tell all. Now have good orchestra and jazz band. Dished out with vivid blue overcoats; good fit and warm."

A third: "We are living like lords, thanks to the Red Cross, who send us parcels."

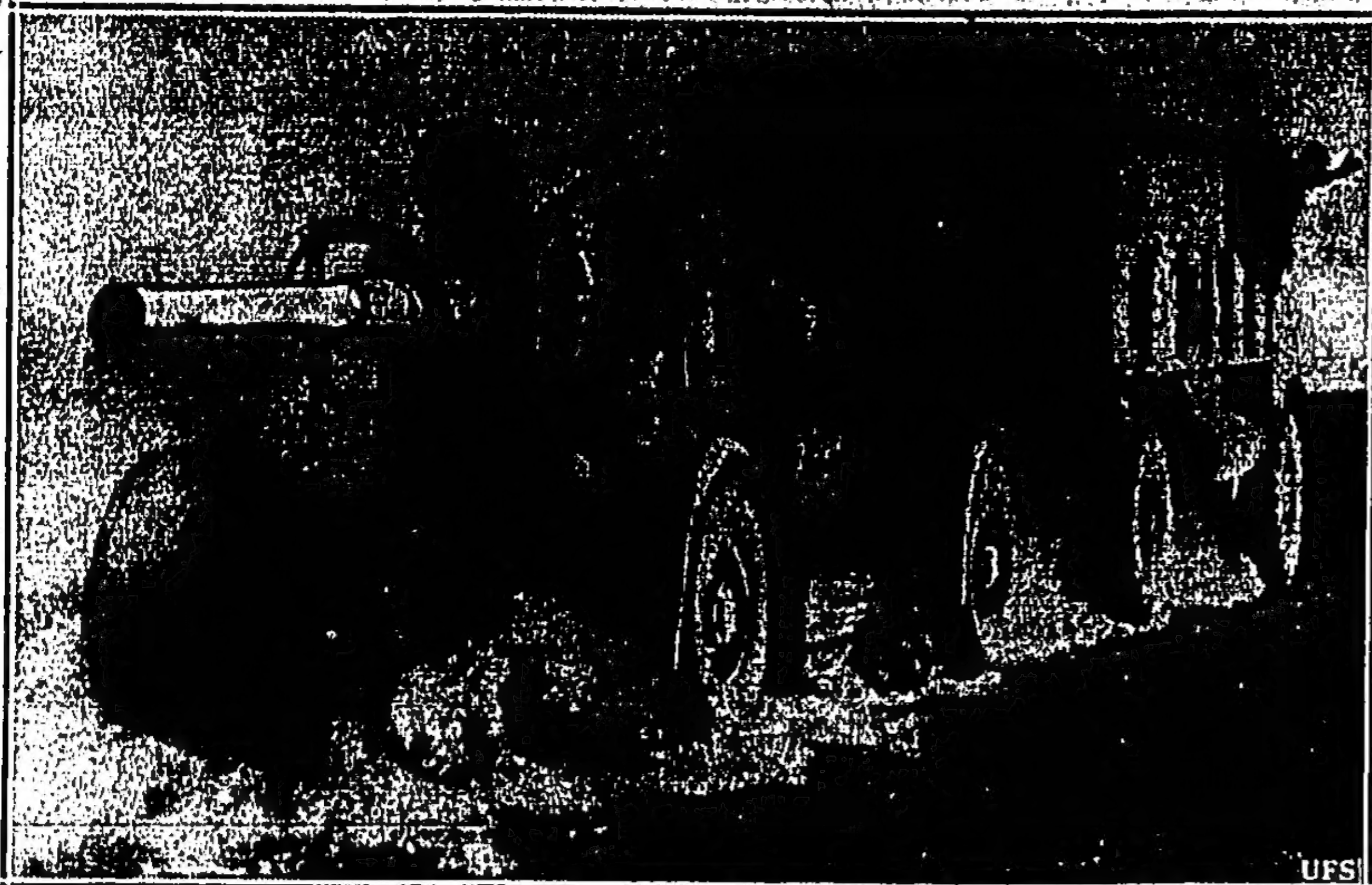
## Noted Chinese Writer Dies

Miss Hsieh Pin-hsin, famous Chinese author and an active element in the new literature movement in China, died of consumption at Kunming recently at the age of 37.

Shortly before her death, she was a professor at the South-Eastern Federal University.

Miss Hsieh was born at Foochow, Fukien, in 1902. After having made a thorough study of Chinese classics she attended Yenching University Women's College and graduated in 1923. She received an M. A. from Wellesley in 1926, then returned to teach at Yenching.

She wrote modern verses under the pen name of Ping Hsin and was author of "The Stars," "The Spring Water," "Superman and Other Stories" and "The Letters."



NEEDED AT FRONT—Cloud of desert dust rises as British anti-aircraft gun is rushed into position at Bardia, Italian stronghold in Libya captured by British on Jan. 5.

## Economist Urges Democracies To Pool Resources For Defence

WASHINGTON, Apr. 20 (UP).—Jaime A. Zuloaga, Director of Foreign Trade of Columbia, has suggested a tripartite agreement among the United States, Britain and Latin America "to unite all these interests in the pooling of their resources for military defence, resources which would be unequalled either in the economic or military field."

Writing in the monthly publication "Commercial Pan American," issued by the Pan American Union, Zuloaga describes the danger to the Americas if Britain should be defeated, and asserts that such an agreement should not be postponed.

"There will be many who will excitedly ridicule this line of conduct as a quick road to the greater extension of British and North American economic, even political, dominance in Latin America," he states.

"Like most such statements, this is foolish, since Latin America's economy is at present characterised by a marvellous dependence on the machine-producing centres for many means of production, a condition which cannot be modified within a short time."

"Immediate and collective co-operation is required of everyone, and the politico-doctrinaire insubordination that in this case seeks to quarrel with the true welfare impelled by genuine economic motives, should be laid to one side."

### Victor's Control

"If the future has reserved for us a surprise in the form of a British defeat, we shall then be the mere executors of orders emanating from Moscow and perhaps Berlin," he continued.

Zuloaga expresses the belief that Latin America's attitude would be controlled by the victor of the European war.

"In case of an English victory, isolated from any intervention by Russia or Far Eastern powers, political changes in America would probably not be as serious as economic and social disturbances," he writes.

### Slaves Of Germany

"But a triumphant Germany would impose upon the Old World the exorbitant rigour of a political, social and economic tyranny, and as for the pretensions of this diabolical German genius, it is sufficient to record these words: 'We shall make of those American hybrids a contingent of slaves.'"

As a result of threats to American well-being, Zuloaga continues, there has developed "a unanimous sentiment of American solidarity, culminating in the Conference of Havana, which affirmed in principle a grand alliance among the 21 republics of this economic system, with the purpose of uniting military, economic and political forces which might lead effective support to the crusade in defence of the great principles of liberty and law, despite the fact that such determination angers that deluded one who pretends to establish himself, by every means possible, as arbiter in a world opposed to every act of violence accompanied by injustice."

### South American Economy

Examining the economy of the American republics, Zuloaga finds that the Latin American republics had in 1938 an "apparent" excess of exports over imports of \$345,000,000. This is only apparent, however, because of the low value of raw materials exported in relation to the labour expended for their extraction and because of the large outflow of profits on foreign investments.

"Foreign investments in Latin America by 1932 amounted to \$10,205,000,000," he states. "If we accept the hypothesis that about ten percent is required for amortisation and interest in the case of loans, and profits in the case of direct investments, the annual outflow from South and Central America on this account would be \$1,020,000,000, in which case the positive balance of trade... would become a negative balance of \$684,000,000, without taking into consideration receipts from tourists and travellers."

### Britain And U.S.

Zuloaga contends that the economies of Britain and the United States are to a large extent complementary. For example, Britain is the least self-sufficient nation among the greater powers in

foodstuffs, producing only 25 percent of her needs.

The United States, on the other hand, has the greatest degree of self-sufficiency, with a percentage of 204 percent.

Zuloaga contends that both Britain and the United States are to some degree losing their markets for manufactured goods.

"Latin America, on the other hand, sees its sources of supply for many manufactured products, as well as its markets for pastoral and agricultural products, being reduced."

This, in the writer's opinion, is one of the compelling reasons for such an agreement as he suggests.

"This is the cargo of the Kwang Yuan, freighter which has seen ship fights, mutiny, seizure and several new owners in recent years."

The Chinese Consul-General refused to allow the vessel clearance in 1937, asserting it had been seized from China and was being reclaimed under war conditions.

Little Benefit

The Federal Court ruled the ship was "properly in Chinese custody," though the cargo certainly belonged to Japan, which had paid for it. The Japanese had little benefit of the ruling, however, for they could not touch the ship to move it to a pier for unloading, and to unload at anchor was not considered feasible.

Vessel Sold

The United States Supreme Court declined to review the decision. The ship recently was sold by the Chinese to the Carpenter line.

The scrap to be unloaded is to go to the Bethlehem Steel Company, presumably under a settlement with the Japanese.

Milk Punch Suited Mr Willkie

A case of milk punch made in Dover from a secret recipe has been sent to Mr Wendell Willkie. When Mr Willkie was lunching with an Admiral during his visit to Dover, he sampled the punch, drank three glasses and then asked where he could get a supply.

Before leaving England he sent a large cheque to a Dover wine merchant who makes the punch. Part of the money covers the cost of the punch, but the balance, a much bigger sum, goes to Dover war charities.

The punch Mr Willkie found so good is made from a recipe supplied many years ago by an officer who had lived in India. It contains no longer lemon and is made of lemon and the high cost of lemons and the high cost of lemons.

All the stocks in existence were put down before the war.

Rugby League Cup

Results of the Rugby matches played yesterday were: League Cup (second round)—Bath 9, Hull 7; Bradford Northern 25, Swinton 6; Castleford 21, St Helens 13; Dewsbury 9, Leeds 6; Huddersfield 20, Bramley 7; Hunslet 24, Liverpool Stanley 8; Wakefield Trinity 22, Wigan 6; York 6, Halifax 13.

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Vichy Plans Rail Line Across Sahara Desert

Admiral Platon, Vichy's Secretary of State for the Colonies, and Jean Berthelot, Secretary for Colonization, were scheduled recently to leave for Morocco to supervise planning of the new trans-Sahara railway, extending from the Mediterranean to the Niger and hooking up with the existing railroad to Dakar.

Development by the railroad was made necessary by reason of the British blockade, which has proved the value of the inland line connecting the rich African empire pool of foodstuffs and the mainland, says a United Press message.

The railroad will be of a normal, full gauge able to handle trains up to 1,100 tons. It will skirt the great Sahara dunes so as to avoid the danger from winds and shifting sands. It will be laid out on the great stony plateau which is comparatively sheltered.

## Japanese Cannot Scrap Iron

A \$64,000 cargo of scrap iron, loaded for shipment to Japan in 1937 and stranded in San Francisco Bay since, will go for U.S. national defence.

It is the cargo of the Kwang Yuan, freighter which has seen ship fights, mutiny, seizure and several new owners in recent years.

The Chinese Consul-General refused to allow the vessel clearance in 1937, asserting it had been seized from China and was being reclaimed under war conditions.

Little Benefit

The Federal Court ruled the ship was "properly in Chinese custody," though the cargo certainly belonged to Japan, which had paid for it. The Japanese had little benefit of the ruling, however, for they could not touch the ship to move it to a pier for unloading, and to unload at anchor was not considered feasible.

Vessel Sold

The United States Supreme Court declined to review the decision. The ship recently was sold by the Chinese to the Carpenter line.

The scrap to be unloaded is to go to the Bethlehem Steel Company, presumably under a settlement with the Japanese.

Milk Punch Suited Mr Willkie

A case of milk punch made in Dover from a secret recipe has been sent to Mr Wendell Willkie. When Mr Willkie was lunching with an Admiral during his visit to Dover, he sampled the punch, drank three glasses and then asked where he could get a supply.

Before leaving England he sent a large cheque to a Dover wine merchant who makes the punch. Part of the money covers the cost of the punch, but the balance, a much bigger sum, goes to Dover war charities.

The punch Mr Willkie found so good is made from a recipe supplied many years ago by an officer who had lived in India. It contains no longer lemon and is made of lemon and the high cost of lemons and the high cost of lemons.

All the stocks in existence were put down before the war.

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## RICKETS ADVICE

### Specially Written For H.K.

An interesting and informative article on the subject of "Rickets" has been written by Dr. T. Y. Li, at the request of the Nutrition Research Committee. Dr. Li deals with the subject in six phases, and discusses its symptoms, causes and dangers, its prevention and treatment, as follows:

**What is Rickets?**  
Rickets is a chronic disease due to bad nutrition and incorrect mode of living. Its most apparent and easily detectable symptom being the softening of the bony structure. Because of the weakness of bones, deformities usually result after birth. Its pathology is rather complicated. The disease affects the muscles, ligaments, mucous membrane, internal organs and the nervous system, and should not be regarded as merely one of the diseases of bones. The reason of its being regarded as a disease of soft bones is because its most apparent symptom is in the bones.

Rickets may be divided into mild and severe cases. A mild case usually shows no apparent symptoms and is not easily recognised by the common people. After some time it becomes severe and the bones of the different parts of the body show marked changes which can then be recognised by sight.

(a) Mild Rickets.—The patient is usually six to eighteen months old. At first the face is pale. There is a lot of sweating of the head, especially during sleep. The patient is restless at night with cough and plenty of phlegm and is easily attacked by colds.

(b) Severe Rickets.—If a mild case does not receive appropriate treatment at its commencement, the symptoms gradually become more marked. In addition to those just described, the patient may develop convulsions or spasms of the throat. The bony changes become more marked. The bones of the head become irregular and the chest bones drawn in; the spine shows changes until the patient develops hump-back; and the bones of the lower limbs become bow-shaped. The muscles become weak and flaccid and the child's ability to stand and walk is much delayed as compared with a normal child. Owing to the weakness of the muscles of the abdomen, stomach and intestine, digestion is poor and the abdomen becomes distended (this is easily mistaken by lay people for ascites or worms). Teething is delayed and the child is anaemic.

**Causes of Rickets**  
The causes are (a) Lack of Vitamin D in the food; (b) Lack of sunlight.

The children who are most liable to this disease are usually bottle-fed or breast-fed for unduly long period (for example up to 1 or 1½ years).

Most condensed milk or milk powder is deficient in Vitamin D. Likewise, when mother's milk is being used for too long a period, its nutritive value, including Vitamin D, is not sufficient to meet the needs of an older child. Both can lead to a deficiency of Vitamin D in the child, and if the house where the child lives is dark and so the child is not sufficiently exposed to sunlight, he can easily become a victim of rickets. As a result of investigation by most doctors, we find that Vitamin D has an anti-rickets value and so has sunlight, because sun-light can produce Vitamin D in the skin.

**Dangers of Rickets.**—Although Rickets will not cause death directly (unlike Cholera and Consumption), it can affect the development of the different parts of the child's body, and therefore affect its future health. As the child is already weak, it is dangerous and even easily fatal if the child suffers from an acute disease such as Bronchitis or Pneumonia and it kills the child indirectly. While an acute disease has a rapid onset and so easily attracts one's attention, a chronic disease develops symptoms gradually and is thus easily overlooked but its danger lies in the permanence of its future damage, notably the bony deformity which may persist in one's life time. So we should pay more attention to this.

**Prevention and Treatment**  
Having described its cause, prevention must be directed towards the removal of its causes. Thus, proper nutrition and correct way of living of the child should be attended to. For the sake of convenience we describe its prevention as follows:

(a) The child should be fed on mother's milk and unless it is absolutely unavoidable, the child should not be bottle-fed.  
(b) Breast feeding should be limited to eight or nine months only. After six months, other foods rich in Vitamin D should be gradually added (e.g., yolk of egg, and cod liver oil).  
(c) The child should be frequently exposed to sunshine.

(d) If a child cannot be breast-fed on account of mother's sickness or other unavoidable reasons, cod liver oil should be given to such a child from three months onwards. If, unfortunately, a child suffers from rickets or shows preliminary signs of Rickets, (e.g., restlessness at night, night sweating, plenty of phlegm, tendency to cough and anaemia, etc.), medical treatment should at once be sought. The parents should not delay until the bones show changes.

**Treatment**  
(a) Give adequate doses of cod liver oil.  
(c) Ultra-violet ray in case sunlight is lacking. (This should be done by doctors only).  
(d) For those who have already shown bony changes, treatment by exercises or postural correction would be advised by doctors, and if such deformities had been present for a long time, operation may be



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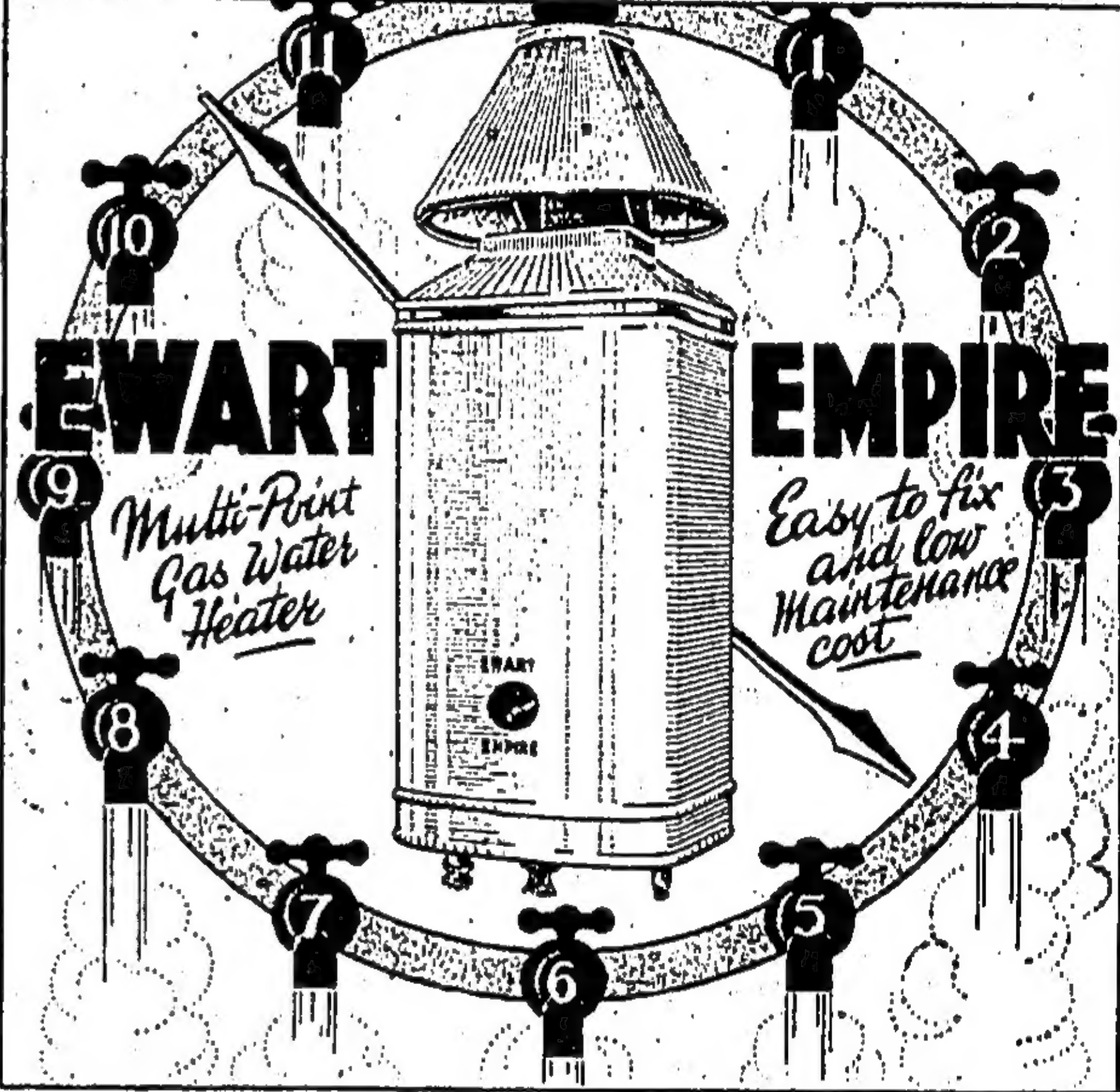
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## Princess Elizabeth Congratulations

To-day is the fifteenth birthday of H.R.H. Princess Elizabeth, and the following message has been sent by His Excellency the Governor to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on behalf of the Colony of Hongkong:

"Request that you will convey to Her Royal Highness Princess Elizabeth on the occasion of her birthday the good wishes and loyal and hearty congratulations of all sections of the community in Hongkong."

necessary. Before the bones are calcified, the child should not be allowed to walk or sit with folded legs, to prevent further deformities.

Is there Rickets in Hongkong? People usually think that Hongkong is near the tropical region and has plenty of sunlight and therefore there are no cases of Rickets. This is wrong. Although Hongkong has more sunlight than the temperate region, parents usually do not realise the advantages of sunlight and dare not expose their children to sunshine. Poor people live in small crowded houses and are unable to make use of the sunlight. Further, on account of economic reasons the nutrition of mothers is deficient and therefore lack the different vitamins and hence their milk is deficient in nutritive value. Again some mothers have to go out and work or may think that condensed milk or milk powder is preferable to breast-feeding. At the same time they do not understand that bottle-fed children should have cod liver oil added to their food. For various reasons, Rickets in Hongkong is not uncommon. Fortunately, owing to sufficient sunlight here which can be a compensation to a certain degree, most cases are not severe, but this can not be regarded as satisfactory. For instance, during this Spring, there are plenty of cases of Bronchitis and Pneumonia in children in this Colony, some of which recover, but others die. These cases seem to have a close relationship with Rickets.

## MADCHEN IN A.T.S. UNIFORM

Four German girls were among the first to enlist in the Auxiliary Territorial Service.

As three have relatives in Germany the authorities suppressed their surnames and referred to them as Adela, Antoni, Ilse and Ellis.

An A.T.S. officer said: "Hundreds of alien women have applied to join the A.T.S. All are drawn from C class aliens, i.e., non-internees. The applications are given a thorough scrutiny."

"Enemy aliens are not allowed to do work of a confidential nature, but all these girls wish to serve in any capacity so long as they can do Hitler as much harm as possible, and our service covers all sorts of jobs."

### Would Shoot German

Adela, graduate of a German university, was a director of a firm in Germany until five years ago. She has been working in Britain as a clerk.

"I don't know what I will have to do in the A.T.S., but if they put a rifle in my hand and I saw a German I would certainly use it against him," she said.

## Deanna Durbin Married

Hollywood, Apr. 19. Deanna Durbin last night brought to a climax her transformation from a child star in the movies to womanhood by becoming the bride of quiet Vaughn N. Paul, assistant director of her first picture.

The ceremony was as formal and true to tradition as Deanna and her family could make it, with the bride wearing an old-fashioned ivory satin gown with a wide train and lace. —United Press.



# MONDAY MORNING COMMENTARY

## Governor's Cup Final To Be Replayed/Interport Soccer Win For Macao

### Roughley And Fraser Brilliantly Hold Federation Forwards

(By "SCRAMBLER")

BRILLIANT FULL-BACK PLAY by Roughley and Fraser, and the fine all round goal-keeping of Bankier for the Association were primarily responsible for the draw forced on the Chinese Federation on Saturday at the Club Ground in the re-play of the Governor's Cup, when the two teams shared six goals between them.

### Tricky Inside Trio

The Chinese were always dangerous when on the move, for with Lee Wai-tong leading them admirable support, whom Hazard was unable to control, Bankier did exceptionally well when threatened, and saved on numerous occasions from the intricate Chinese inside trio of Tsao-Lee-Hyui. From the three of them, much delightful football was forthcoming, and the two wingers, Yeung Shui-yick and Hau Ching-tau were also prominent, but the former found that Pope was not only a tireless worker, but a steady defender.

The Chinese intermediate trio was their chief asset, for Lau Hing-choy, Hsu King-sing and Soong Ling-sing found time to concentrate on both attack and defence, and piled their forwards with many fine passes. The centre half in particular kept a wary eye on the wily Howlett, and both these came out very even in their duels. Tsang Chung-wan played a wonderful game, and his display yesterday was as good as that given by either of the two Association's backs, for without him, the Chinese would have gone down on many occasions. Though not having as much to do as his opposite, Cheung Wing-choy also played up well, and saved confidently when threatened.

### Weak Halves

The Association's intermediate trio did not come off well, being inclined to lie too back far, and unable to give his forwards the attention they so much needed. Pope did his share of the work, but Thomas found that Hau Ching-tau was too wily for him. Had it not been for the excellent form shown by Roughley and Fraser, the Association's team would not have survived, for between the two of them, a flawless exhibition of full back play was given, although Roughley was responsible for the penalty given against them when he handled the ball in the area.

Howlett was that man in the attack, for he worried the Chinese defenders continually. Besides obtaining the first two goals, he was forever working his way in and out of a solid defence that gave nothing away, and that he did come out on top in his tussles speaks volumes for his versatility. Fowler was good and lent plenty of support in the attack, but his parting shots on the whole were weak. Both Le Page and Ferrier were inclined to be haphazard in their work, though Ferrier scored a lovely goal when they were down 3-2. Rierisen did

his share, but found Lau Hing-choy a constant menace.

### The Game

Play was exciting from the start, and both keepers were seen to good advantage with many timely saves. Roughley and Fraser checked the fast Chinese attacks by their timely clearances and anticipation, and after a bout of even play, Lee Wai-tong put the Chinese ahead with a well placed drive. This lead was increased to two in the second half when Tsao, cleverly evaded the oncoming Fraser to send the ball into the net.

Undaunted by this reverse, the Association went into the attack, and following good work on the right by Fowler, Howlett obtained two good and quick goals to draw level. However when Roughley handled the ball in the area, Lee Wai-tong made no mistake from the "spot kick" to put the Chinese one up again. With barely a minute more to go, Ferrier worked his way into the Chinese territory, and his first time shot from way out had Cheung Wing-choy completely beaten.

During the extra time, the Association had more of the play, and only the stout hearted clearances of Tsang Chung-wan and Cheung Wing-choy prevented the Chinese goal from falling. Fowler scored, but was ruled outside, and the whistle blew for the two teams to fight for the Cup on another day.

ASSOCIATION: Bankier; Roughley, Fraser; Pope, Hazard, Thomas; Fowler, Le Page, Howlett, Ferrier, Rierisen.

FEDERATION: Cheung Wing-choy; Tsang Chung-wan, Ng Kue-choy; Lau Hing-choy, Hau King-sing, Soong Ling-sing; Yeung Shui-yick, C. T. Tsao, Lee Wai-tong, V. K. Hyui, Hau Ching-tau.

### Cottage Club Ride

The Cottage Club held a hunt at Sheungshui on Saturday for the Kiki Cup presented by Madame Louis de San, formerly Miss Kiki de Chaffoy de Courcelles. The trophy was won by C. L. Gregory, who came in first on Euston. P. Calderera on Mistral was second and G. Trevelion on Gold Currency third.

Twenty riders took part in the hunt, which started from Dill's Corner and finished in Low Valley.

### Week-end Of Thrills At Kowloon F.C.

#### International Softball Series

SOFTBALL fans had little of which to complain in the International Series matches at the Kowloon Football Club yesterday. Two of the three matches ended with a one-run margin, while the score in the third was 3-1.

### COLONY TENNIS

#### FINALS TO BE PLAYED NEXT WEEK

One change has been made in the week's programme of tennis matches organised by the Hongkong Cricket Club, the semi-final match in the Club Championship between R. E. Guest and M. Pagh having been advanced to to-day from Tuesday.

As regards the Open Championships, the proceeds from which are for the Bomber Fund, the final of the Singles will be played next Monday and the final of the Doubles next Wednesday. The charges are: Front row arm chairs, 55; grand stand, 52; chairs opposite grand stand, 50 cents (Service men 30 cents).

None of the seats will be reserved, but it is hoped that Clubs and individuals will order seats in advance so as to ensure a record attendance. Seats may be ordered from the No. 1 Boy of the Hongkong Cricket Club. Telephone 29497.

he will play off his Mixed Doubles match.

The latter match is anticipated to be the best of the evening, for Choy will come up against P. H. Wong, last year's triple champion.

### Badminton

#### Championship Matches At K.C.C. To-night

##### Semi-Final Fixtures

THE FIRST of the semi-final matches in the Colony Badminton Championships will be played at the Kowloon Cricket Club this evening, commencing at 8 p.m. Complete programme will be as follows:

8 p.m. R. W. Choy v. F. Koh (Senior Singles)

8.30 J. Odell v. A. L. Fisher (Junior Singles)

9 p.m. T. S. Young v. D. Chelliah (Junior Singles)

9.30 P. H. Wong and Miss M. Ribeiro v. K. W. Choy and Mrs. Castro (Mixed Doubles)

K. W. Choy, Malayan and H. K. University champion, will be seen in two games. The first will be at 8 p.m. when he meets F. Koh in the Senior Singles, and the second will be at 9.30 when

### Cricket

#### Junior Champions Almost Defeat The Rest

KOWLOON C.C., Junior League cricket champions, topped off their successful season when they met the Rest of the League at K.C.C. yesterday, and though the match was drawn, it was drawn in the champions' favour.

### Lawn Bowls

#### Recreio Win Sam White Trophy

FIRST of the "big" matches of the Lawn Bowls season was played on Saturday at the Club de Recreio and the Kowloon Bowling Green Club—for the Sam White trophy. Thirteen rinks took part, and the Portuguese Club won by 312 shots to 241.

At the conclusion of the match, Mr. J. McKelvie, President of the Kowloon B.C.C., presented the shield to the winners, and the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada Jr., Recreio President, distributed small cups to J. F. Ribeiro's rinks, who won by the biggest margin—29-9.

Following were the scores of the match, with the Recreio rinks first: C. Vas, M. Mendonca, C. H. Basto, J. F. Ribeiro beat W. Elphick, J. Hurst, J. E. Henson, G. H. Sherriff, 29-9; P. Guterres, J. O. Remedios, J. D. Rosa beat M. Silva, F. Soares beat M. Ferguson, H. F. Shields, H. Drew, J. C. Gill, 25-16; E. L. Barros, L. Guterres, L. E. Martins, de Souza beat W. M. Wilson, L. A. Payne, E. Turpin, W. MacNeil, 25-19; F. A. Xavier, the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada Jr. beat J. A. Luz, J. E. Noronha lost to S. C. Walker, C. Wallis, T. Coleman, S. Rendle, 23-27; F. A. Monteiro, J. D. Remedios, M. Alarcon, C. G. Silva beat V. C. Dixon, T. Tomlin, J. S. Dinnon, H. Lockhart, 27-17; P. M. N. Silva, A. M. Xavier, L. F. Xavier, H. B. Basto beat R. P. Phillips, C. W. Jeffries, A. Jones, A. M. Holland, 25-19; A. J. Osmund, M. F. Pina, E. M. Remedios beat J. A. Luz, M. Silva lost to J. MacPherson, K. C. Hamilton, R. Morrison, J. G. Meyer, 15-20; H. R. Pina, D. Alves, A. M. Rodrigues, B. Basto beat A. Morton, F. C. Clemen, G. E. F. Thompson, D. W. Waterson, 24-17; F. J. A. Marques, M. A. Carvalho, M. C. Remedios, F. V. V. Ribeiro beat A. J. Rogers, C. E. Langley, L. Jordan, A. J. Hall, 23-21; D. C. Alves, C. Cunha, L. J. S. Jamieson, J. W. E. Fitzgerald, W. J. Hagley 40-17; S. R. Bolla, E. A. Nenson, W. Ward, H. W. Randall (Crabs) beat A. A. Perry, W. Higgins, J. McCutcheon, A. J. J. 34-14; W. J. Curd, H. O. Freeman, L. C. R. Souza, J. S. Landolt (Crabs) beat W. Webster, A. D. Spots, G. B. Foster, C. G. Peckham, L. Guy, 25-22.

### Match Yesterday

At Happy Valley yesterday, Crabs (Kowloon Cricket Club) beat Prison Officers' Club, 55-41.

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Britain almost put it across the Chinese girls, while in the men's series, India nosed out China and the United States humbled Portugal.

Scores in brief were:

GIRLS			
China	6	Britain	4
MEN			
India	1	China	0
U.S.A.	3	Portugal	1

THE CHINESE cuties led 5-3 at the commencement of Britain's final inning, having clouded in two in the third and three in the sixth frame. Britain had scored one in the second and two in the sixth, and in the final frame with one run over the home plate, had fans standing in anticipation of the equaliser and possibly the winner.

But the game ended on that note, and the champions heaved a sigh of relief.

### India v. China

FROM the word "go", the China-India duel was a cat-and-dog affair. Nazarin and Herbie Quon sent sizzlers across the plate, and the single that the Indians chased in in the fourth frame was the telling counter of the match. Air-tight fielding kept the Chinese subdued, though the registered four hits against the Indians' three.

### U.S.A. v. Portuguese

THE United States held the upper hand for most of the game. Portugal out-hit the Americans 6-4 but could only tally a single, and that in the last inning.

The U.S.A. belted in two runs in the third canto, and then another in the last.

Three double plays featured the game.

### Hockey

#### Entries For Six-a-side Tournament

The Hongkong Hockey Association six-a-side tournament, which was to have been held yesterday, has been postponed until next Sunday. Entries will close on Wednesday.

### SPORTS ADVT.

#### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE FOURTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting on SATURDAY, 26th April, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m. The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

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The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21920).

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### Excellent Goal-Keeping By Santos: Scoring Opportunities Missed

MACAO, Apr. 20.—Macao was rewarded with a well-earned victory in the match against the Hongkong selection staged here this afternoon. The score was one goal to nil. In the absence of H.E. the Governor of Macao, Lieut. Guedes Andrade deputised and greeted the players who lined up before play commenced.

Early on, Macao showed better ball control than the opposition and threatened constantly on the right flank. Leong was particularly dangerous and lost no opportunities to pass to centre, where Carvalho was extremely unlucky on the uptake on three successive occasions when he had only Bankier to beat.

There was tremendous excitement when Alosa, evading Leo Wai-tong, passed to Guedes who promptly sent the ball to Leong, but his shot went wide. Following a pass from Pope, Fowler dribbled through past Cordova and there was a tense moment, but the Hongkong forward directed the ball too high.

Again the visitors sought to open the score. Lee Wai-tong passed to Howlett, but Santos was alert in goal and cleared splendidly.

Shortly before the interval Hongkong all but scored when Hau Ching-tau passed to Hendy who placed a neat ball to Lee Wai-tong. Within easy range of Macao's goal, Lee Wai-tong attempted a fast shot but the ball went well above the horizontal.

### H.K. Attacks

WITHIN the first minute upon resumption, Hendy made a try at the Macao goal off a pass from Fowler, but the ball struck the post and the goalie cleared. Hongkong kept pressing for an opening and were awarded no less than four corners which they failed to convert.

By far, most of Hongkong's attack came from their right flank, with Fowler prominent. Lau was seen to advantage in Hongkong's intermediate line in robbing the Macao forwards, while Roughley was very sound in the defence.

Collaco was conspicuous in Macao's defence his whole play expressing splendid understanding with the home forwards.

Macao scored the only goal to be scored when Carvalho managed to penetrate the Hongkong defence. A fine shot found the net, though Bankier made a gallant attempt to intercept.

Before the final whistle, Lee Wai-tong took the ball off a foul and directed it to the Macao goal, but

### Khalsa Diwan Club Hold Annual Sports

The Khalsa Diwan Sports Club held its second annual sports meeting at the Indian Recreation Club grounds yesterday afternoon.

The following were the results: 40 yards—1, Kaminder Singh; 2, Pritam Singh; 30 yards—1, Pritam Singh; 2, Jagt Singh; 150 yards—1, Tarlochan Singh; 2, Gurinder Singh; 100 yards—1, Pritam Singh; 2, Kaminder Singh; 100 yards—1, Pritam Singh; 2, Gurinder Singh; 100 yards—1, Tarlochan Singh and Gurpal Singh; 2, Iqbal Singh and Sarjit Singh.

One-mile—1, Pritam Singh; 2, Gurinder Singh; Three-Legged Race—1, Gurinder Singh and Jagdish Chander; 2, Gurant Singh and Gurinder Singh; (Girls)—1, Sita Lall; 2, Anur Kaur; 3, Sarjit Kaur; 100 yards—1, Kaminder Singh; 2, Ranjit Singh; 3, Sarjit Kaur; 200 yards—1, Kaminder Singh; 2, Gurinder Singh; One-mile (Open)—1, Channan Singh; 2, Kham Mohammed; Shot Put—1, Naranjan Singh; 2, Kartar Singh; 100 yards (Girls)—1, Kartar Kaur; 2, Juvinder Kaur; 3, Sita Lall.

Santos dived full length to effect a brilliant save.

The match was well served with Mr. M. Jesus as referee.

Hongkong.—Bankier; Roughley, Tsang, Pope, Lau Hing Choo, Maxwell; Fowler, Howlett, Hendy, Lee Wai-tong, Capt. Hau Ching To.

Macao.—Santos; Chiu Fu, Cordova; Sousa, Colaco (Capt.), Alosa; Leung Shui Wa, Guerriero, Carvalho, Gomes, Ip Fou Tou.

### Official Dinner

Proposing a toast at the dinner in the Grand Hotel, Mr. Luciano Martins, President of the Macao Football Interport Committee, cordially expressed Macao's appreciation for the visit of the Hongkong eleven, and presented a pennant to the visitors in honour of the occasion.

On behalf of the Hongkong Football Association, Mr. T. G. Stokes suitably replied. In conclusion the rival teams drank to the "Grand Alliance between Great Britain and Portugal—Our Own Correspondent."

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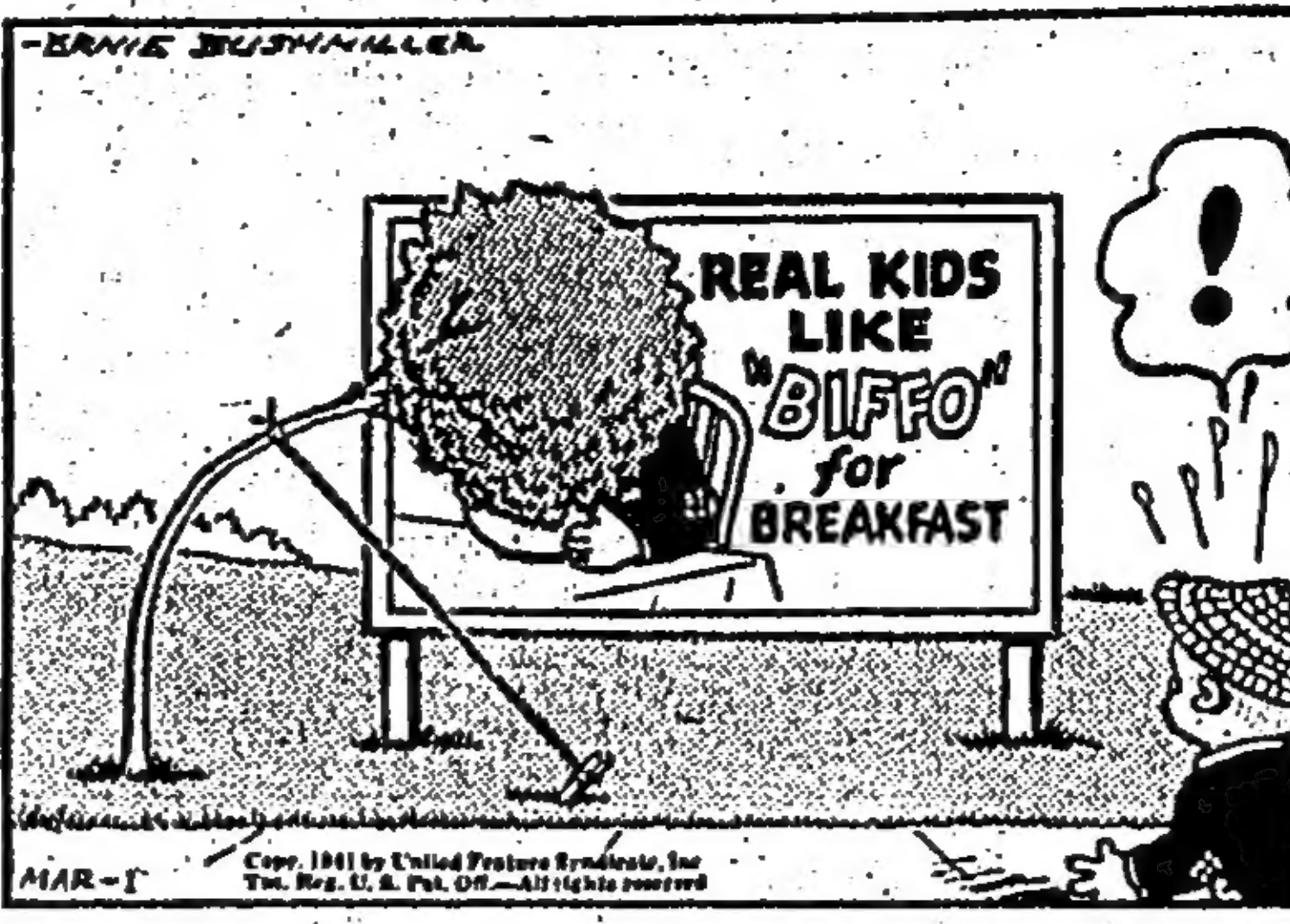
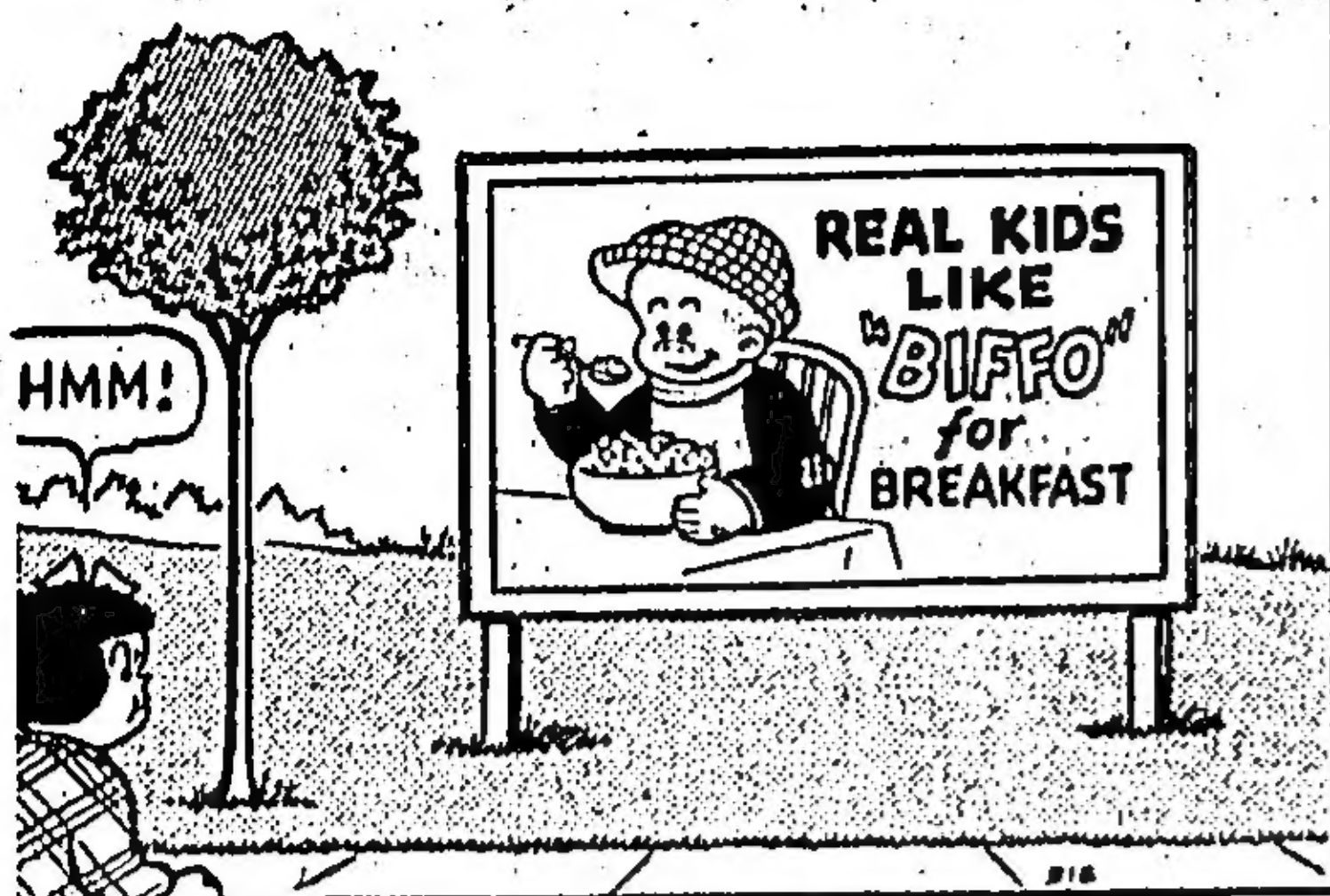
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## RADIO

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Radio Programme Broadcast by ZBW on a Frequency of 845 k.c. and on Short Wave from 1-2.15 p.m. and 8-11 p.m. on 9.52 m.c. per second.

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Inter-cession.

12.30 Jay Wilbur and His Band.

1.0 Local Time Signal.

1.01 The Orchestra Mascotte with Yvonne Printemps (Soprano).

From Near and Far—Waltz Melodies, Orchestra Mascotte, The Three Waltzes (Oscar Strauss), "C'est la Saison d'Amour," Yvonne Printemps (Soprano), "Le Souvenir—Il Yvonne Printemps with Pierre Fresney and Orchestra, Valse Bleue (Marcel), Tango, Miro—Waltz (Bacchi), Orchestra Mascotte, The Three Waltzes (Oscar Strauss), "Je ne suis pas ce que l'on pense," Yvonne Printemps with Pierre Fresney & Orch., Lovely to Kiss—Waltz (Dicker), Dance of the Fairies—Waltz (Rosenthal), Orchestra Mascotte.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Variety.

Vocal with Orch.—The Lambeth Walk, (from Me and My Girl), Lupino Lane with Teddie St Denis and Company, Piano—Fox-Trot Medley, Intro: Take My Heart; Empty Saddles; It Is True what They Say About Dixie, Waltz Medley, Intro: It's a Sin to Tell a Lie; Would You, Sweetheart, Let's Grow Old Together, Burlon Brown, Vocal—Let's Call the Whole Thing Off, They Can't Take That Away from Me (both from "Shall We Dance"), Hildegarde with Carroll Gibbons and his Orchestra, Piano—An Evening With You (film "Colleen") (Dubin-Warren), Gerry Moore, Humorous—What The Stars Foretell (Thompson), Sandy Powell, C. B. Cochran Medley, Comper C. B. Cochran assisted by Elizabeth Welch, Edward Cooper and Ray Noble and His Orch.

2.15 Close down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Short Quotations.

6.32 A Debussy Programme.

The Children's Corner Suite, (a) Dr. Gradus ad Parnassum; (b) The Snow-Is-Dancing; (c) Serenade for the Doll; (d) Jumbo's Lullaby; (e) The Little Shepherd; (f) Golliwog's Cate Walk, Walter Gieseking (Piano), La Fille aux Cheveux de Lin, Yehudi Menuhin (Violin), "Dances"—(a) Danse Sacree; (b) Danse Profane, Leopold Stokovsky and the Philadelphia Orchestra.

7.15 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Talk: "Working Together."

7.30 Mendelssohn—Trio in D minor, Op. 49, Cortet, Thibaud and Casals.

8.0 Local Time Signal.

8.02 This week's programmes.

8.05 Piano Duets by Moreton and Kaye.

Dinah: After You've Gone; Nobody's Sweetheart, Tin Pan Alley Medley—No. 21, Intro: An Apple for the Teacher; They Can't Black Out the Moon; We'll Meet Again; I'll Remember A Man and his Dreams; Goodnight Children Everywhere.

8.15 London Relay—"Hi, Gang!"

9.0 London Relay—The News.

9.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

9.30 A Light Orchestral Programme with Hubert Elsdell (Tenor).

International Railroad Express, Polka, Sledin, Jakob Scherff's Russian Orchestra, Two Tired Old Eyes (Kenyon & Squire), Because I Miss You so, (Clonville & Coates), Hubert Elsdell (Tenor), Novellette—Serenade (Henselt), Frederic Hippmann and his Orch., Evensong (Martin), New Symphony Orchestra cond. by George Walter, Thinkin' of Mary (Ashby & T. Sternale Bennett), Always As I Gaze My Eyes (Handfield-Jones & Coates), Hubert Elsdell (Tenor), Solemn Melody (Walford Davies), New Symphony Orchestra cond. by George Walter.

9.45 News in French (on Short Wave only).

10.0 London Relay—"News from Home" by Howard Marshall.

10.15 Dance Music with Variety.

11.0 Close Down.

## CONCERT

School Orchestra Plays To Crowded House

Under the auspices of the South China Women's Temperance Union, a concert of classical music was given by the orchestra of the Pui Ching Middle School, formerly of Canton and now of Macao, at the St Paul's Girls School Hall, Kennedy Road, on Saturday, and was well attended. The net proceeds from the sale of tickets are to be donated to aid refugees in China.



U.S. TANKS IN CANADA—Here are some of the 200 tanks which the U.S. Government recently turned over to Canada for training purposes. They are given a work-out in winter manoeuvres at Camp Borden, Ontario, where the Tank Corps is in training.

## Three Fleets For U.S. Navy Mean Flexibility Of Action

By Otto Janssen  
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, April 19 (UP).—The recent reorganisation of the United States fleet into three distinct forces has improved this country's capacity to meet quickly and forcefully any threat to American security in the Atlantic, Pacific or Far East, naval quarters here assert.

Under a recent executive order of President Roosevelt's, three fleets were created under separate commanders-in-chief. Admiral Thomas C. Hart commands the Asiatic Fleet; Admiral Ernest J. King, the Atlantic Fleet and Admiral Edward Kimmel, the Pacific Fleet. Kimmel is also commander-in-chief of the United States fleet, comprising all these forces.

Prior to the reorganisation order, America's fighting forces afloat consisted of the Pacific Fleet, the Asiatic Fleet and the Patrol Force in the Atlantic.

The reorganisation not only gives the Atlantic Force a full status, but provides greater flexibility in organisation to all these forces.

**Bulk Of Strength**

The great bulk of the naval strength still resides in the Pacific Fleet, based at Hawaii. However, the Atlantic fleet will be substantially augmented as the naval programme gains momentum, and some new units are expected to be added to the Asiatic force.

The commanders-in-chief are regarded as being well qualified for their positions in these increasingly critical days. Among them, they have seen service in two major wars and a series of campaigns.

**Kimmel's Service**

Kimmel, who once served as President Roosevelt's aide, when the latter was Assistant Secretary of the Navy, is a veteran of the Great War and the Mexican campaign. In the Great War he served as executive officer aboard the U.S.S. Arkansas operating with the British Grand Fleet.

After hostilities ended, he was captain of the Yard at the Cavite Naval Station in the Philippines, and later commanded a destroyer division of the Asiatic Fleet. He has also seen considerable service in the Navy Department here.

**Admiral King**

Admiral King saw his first war service during the hostilities with Spain. At that time he served aboard the U.S.S. San Francisco, engaged in patrol duty off Atlantic Coast.

During the Great War, King was assistant chief of the staff of Admiral Henry T. Mayo, commander-in-chief of the United States fleet. He received the Navy Cross for his services.

In 1925, when King was in command of the submarine base at New London, Connecticut, the submarine S-31 was sunk off Block Island. King was placed in charge of salvage operations and won the Distinguished Service Medal for his efficient work. King is a qualified naval aviator and has served as commander of flying units.

The new commander-in-chief of the Atlantic fleet was given command of the patrol force of the United States fleet in December, 1940. The patrol force was the forerunner of the Atlantic fleet.

Among King's various awards are the Spanish Campaign Medal, the Mexican Service Medal and the decoration of the Grande Oficial, Order of the Crown of Italy.

**Far Eastern Chief**

Admiral Hart also has served in the Spanish-American War and the

Great War. He entered the former hostilities shortly after his graduation from the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, serving aboard the battleship Massachusetts and the converted yacht, Vixen and Hist.

Having gained considerable submarine experience with the naval forces in the Pacific, Hart was placed in command of a division of underwater craft when the Great War broke out. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal "for distinguished service afloat in command of submarines engaged in operations against the enemy."

After the war, Hart went to Far Eastern waters and there was given command of a submarine flotilla in the Asiatic fleet. He became commander-in-chief of the Asiatic fleet in July, 1939. The President's recent order did not affect Hart's rank, but it resulted in certain organizational changes.

## Huge Food Bill For U.S. Forces

WASHINGTON, April 20 (UP).—It will cost \$1,000,000 a day to feed American defence forces when they reach their authorised strength of more than 2,000,000 men.

The largest food bill—\$750,000 a day—will be necessary for the 1,500,000 Army men and officers in service by June. The Navy will pay around \$225,000 daily to feed its projected "Two-Ocean" force of 494,500 men, and the Marine Corps will spend about \$43,000 for food when it reaches its authorised strength of 99,000 men.

The average is a little less than 50 cents a day for each man. The Army figures it spends 60 cents a day for rations, while the Navy and Marine Corps spend 40 cents a day for each man.

## Bible Printers Suffer Damage in Air Blitz

LONDON, April 20 (UP).—The Authorised Version of the Bible may have to be completely reset if the printing plates, buried beneath tons of debris at the bombed printing works of Eyre and Spottiswoode, the King's printers, cannot be recovered intact.

If the plates are unfit for use, it will mean the resetting of no less than 8,555,480 letters, involving 778,692 words contained in the 31,173 verses and 1,180 chapters of the Bible.

"As the King's printers, we alone have right to print the Authorised Version," said a director.

"The Revised Version and translations of the Bible into other languages are done by other houses."

"We are hoping we shall find some

## Goldilocks Goes Back To Momma

ONCE upon a time there lived in Marietta, Oklahoma, a thirty-three-year-old farmer named Ivan Heldrich, who was called Goldilocks because his Momma never allowed him to cut his curly hair which reached to his shoulders.

One morning Goldilocks received a letter saying he was conscripted into the American Army and must report.

Kissing Goldilocks good-bye, Momma said: "You can only stay in the Army if the officers let you keep your long curls."

**Proved He Wasn't**  
So Goldilocks promised Momma that no one should cut his curls, and he went to the Army headquarters. When rude soldiers saw ringlets bobbing on Goldilocks's shoulders they shouted "Sissy," so Goldilocks swung his fists to prove that he wasn't.

Then Goldilocks told the officers: "I'll be a good soldier on condition that you don't cut my hair. Momma always admired my curls, so I am danged if I'll lose 'em now."

**Officers In Huddle**

Greatly worried, the officers went into conference. "We cannot break his momma's heart," said one. "You remember what happened to Samson," said another. "We can't have a soldier with ringlets," said another. They announced that Goldilocks need not enter the Army after all. "You will be more valuable as a farmer," they told him.

So Goldilocks returned to his farm and momma to live happily ever after.

## Building Land Serious Shortage In Urban Areas

Crown Land available for sale in urban districts is becoming so scarce that Government has decided to insist on more intensive development in regard to land required for factory development, said the Director of Public Works, the Hon. Mr. A. B. Purves in an interview on Saturday.

In effect this means that in future higher Building Covenants will be stipulated in the Conditions of Sale of land intended for factory development.

At present many factories consist of one storey buildings and often a large portion of the lot is retained as an open yard.

It is recognised that one storeyed factories requiring considerable yard space must still be entered for, but the intention now is that such concerns must go farther afield where land is more plentiful and cheaper.

### LAND RESUMPTIONS

An unusually large number of land resumption notices appeared in Saturday's Gazette, applying to areas near Kowloon City. The Director of Public Works explained that these low lying agricultural lots are being resumed for the purpose of Town Planning development and form only a portion of a comprehensive Scheme.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued Saturday, says: A very quiet morning.

**Buyers**  
Bank of East Asia \$70  
Union Ins. \$425  
Indo-China (Pref) \$80  
Wharves \$85.50  
Humphreys \$6.80  
Trams \$10  
Lights "O" \$6  
Lights Rts. \$50 cts  
Entertainments \$6.25

**Sellers**  
H.K. Banks \$1,345  
Union Ins. \$430  
Trams \$10.25  
Lights "O" \$6.20  
**Sales**  
Hotels \$2.00

## Auxiliary Fire Corps Reports On Progress

A marked increase in the personnel of the Auxiliary Fire Service was revealed by Mr. D. H. Blake, Superintendent, in his review of the activities of the Corps at the second annual dinner at the Hotel Cecil on Saturday night.

Mr. J. C. Fitz-Henry, Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade, paid a tribute to the men of the A.F.S. and said that, if Hongkong were hit to endure bombing from the air, he felt sure that the A.F.S. here would be equal in courage and heroism to their comrades in Europe and China.

Those present included Messrs C. G. Perdue (Deputy Commissioner of Police and former Acting Officer of the Fire Brigade), T. O. Ts'o, R. A. Wickerson, Harold Chan, J. S. Howell, B. J. Lacon, H. K. Lee, O. Eager, A. I. Cash, W. M. Smith, Chan Mok-keung, Luke Oi-wan, Major C. M. Manners and Comdr J. Petrie, H. K. N. V. F.

After dinner, a collection was taken for the Bomber Fund.

It was announced that the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. and the China Provident, Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd. were generously donating trophies for competition among members of the A.F.S.

Mr. D. H. Blake, the Superintendent, said:

"Our numbers have increased to approximately 600 members. The Chinese unofficial members of the Council undertook to obtain recruits for officer ranks and we owe a debt of gratitude to Mr. Luke Oi-wan and Mr. H. K. Lee for doing the detail work and sending us a large number of fine young athletes from Chinese sporting clubs, amongst whom is Mr. Lee Wai-tong" (Applause).

"Intensive training classes were formed under the instruction of the Regular Fire Brigade officers and sub-officers. Some of these classes have now been completed and we are receiving an ever increasing supply of most promising young officers. Some of our old members have also passed through and derived great benefit from these courses."

"Another happy development has come from the China Provident, Loan and Mortgage Co. Ltd. This patriotic company has permitted no less than 72 members of its staff to be trained, with the result that the Western Division has been formed with Mr. R. A. Wickerson as Divisional Officer. (Applause)."

"No less than five European officers and 11 sub-officers of the Fire Brigade have taken part in the training of our men. We thank them for their services."

"We have concentrated lately on communications. We have women and men in this branch, some of whom you see here to-night, and very useful they will be in case of emergency."

Mr. Blake concluded by proposing a toast to the Hongkong Fire Brigade and Guests, coupled with the names of Mr. Fitz-Henry and Mr. Luke Oi-wan.

**The Idols of Firemen**  
Mr. Fitz-Henry said in reply: "When I had the honour of attending your first annual dinner held last year at the St. Francis Hotel the strength of the A.F.S. was about 200 men and we were aiming at a total of 300. Since that time it has become necessary to recruit up to 700 men, and I am pleased to learn that the total strength of all ranks is now well over 600."

"During the year the training has gone on apace and with the system of intensive training now in force it is hoped to get all men fully qualified in the shortest possible time."

Major Manners proposed a toast to the officers, men and women of the Auxiliary Fire Service. He said:

## A.R.P. Pay To Bomber Fund

A total of \$1,769,401.23 was reached on Saturday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd., with the following donations:

Peak Division	\$300
G. P. A. (in memory of Terry Elliott)	10
Lionel Evening (eleventh donation)	10
P. S. S. Quaker (twelfth donation)	40.50
Mr. & Mrs. J. T. Buxton (in memory of the late Miss M. Russell)	10
Miss M. Matheson (in memory of the late Miss M. Russell)	5
Mr. M. G. Carruthers (monthly donation)	15

### RELIEF OF DISTRESS

The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation acknowledges the following subscriptions to the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China: Previously acknowledged \$736,324.13. Police Headquarters (being net proceeds of Hongkong Police & Police Reserve Dance at the Peninsula Hotel on February 14, 1941) 1,850.00. The Sports Club 500.00. \$738,674.13.

### INTER-POST COMPETITION

The "A" District of the Tsimshatsui A.R.P. Division held its inter-post competition yesterday when Divisional Warden J. Moodie's Shield was won by the combined Nos 3 and 4 Posts under A. E. D. da Sousa and D. A. Alonso respectively.

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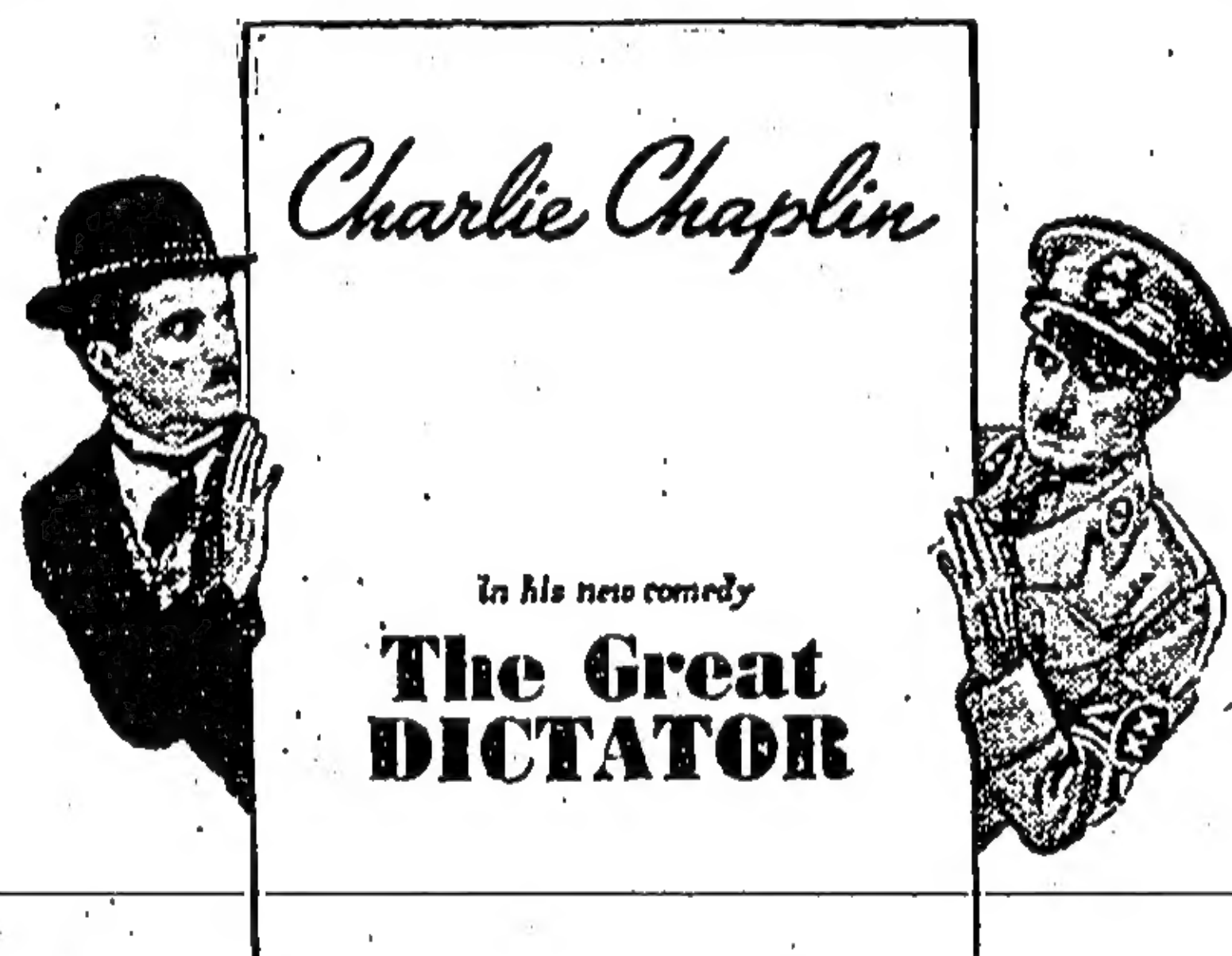


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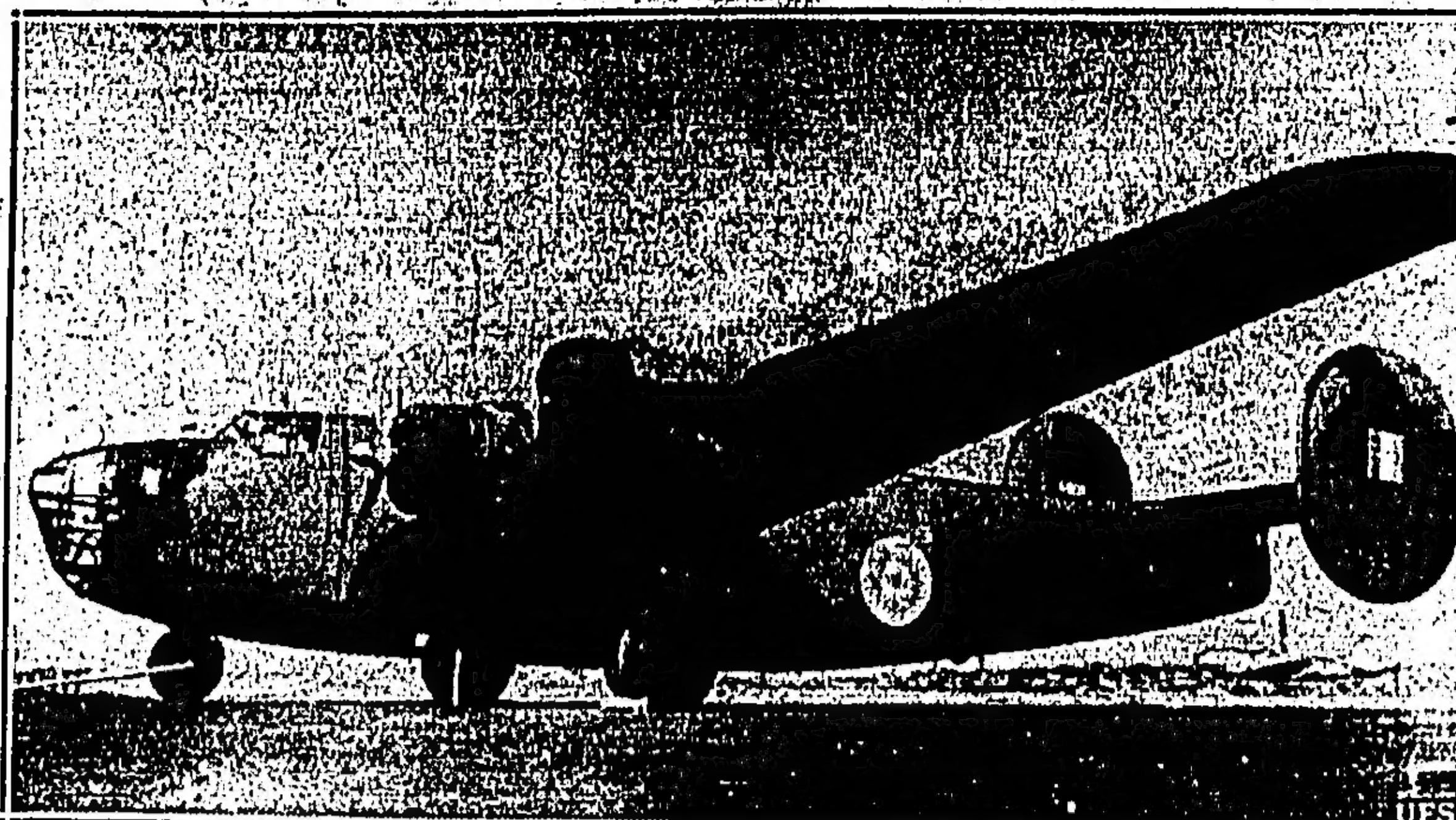
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### Morro Castle Disaster

Echo In Court Case

The U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New York has ruled that the New York and Cuba Mail Steamship Company cannot recover from the Continental Insurance Company of New York \$1,100,000 damages paid by the line to victims' relatives and survivors of the burning of the Morro Castle on Sept. 8, 1934.

Reversing a lower court decision, which had granted the line \$890,000, the higher court held unanimously that the line had violated safety statutes and the terms of its insurance policy in the disaster which cost 723 lives off the New Jersey coast. The ruling charged that the line had failed to provide men and equipment for fighting the fire and abandoning ship.

### BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC

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teering our convoys and hunting German pirates.

Off Libyan Coast

Continuing, Mr. Alexander said: "I see that to-day the Navy is criticised for not having prevented Italian and German reinforcements reaching Libya. But remember that the decision having been taken to support Greece—which surely in honour we were bound to do—we had to perform the great task of transporting very large numbers of troops and equipment which was safely done, thanks to the Royal Navy."

"We had at the same time to maintain supplies to the garrisons in Libya. In spite of all that has been said about enemy reinforcements, we have destroyed Italian transports running into a tonnage of six figures."

No Apology

"I do not think that the Government has any need to apologise for its decision to go to the aid of Greece or the Navy to apologise for its work."

R.A.F. bomber pilots, he said, were striking back and striking hard, and it was evident from the complaints over the German wireless after the raids on Berlin, Kiel and Bremen that the Germans did not like it.

Mr. Alexander concluded: "We must go on with that until we win."

### Be Generous In Battle

Pope Appeals To The Belligerents

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
VATICAN CITY, Apr. 20 (UP).—Giving audience to 1,000 university students and professional men this morning, Pope Pius appealed to the belligerents to be generous towards the enemy.

The Pope said: "Humility and charity do not diminish patriotism or bravery. The citizen, in a just war, fights for the defence of his honour or his country, or to impede the citizen fighting with all his strength against the arms of the enemy. But charity prohibits combatants from attacking the innocent or punishing the enemy beyond the limits of justice. The world does not need pride in violence but instead needs loyalty and love. All men, even the best and most powerful, before God, are merely poor sinners who need God's pity."

### Roosevelt Back Plea For 1,000 U.S. Doctors

HYDE PARK, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt to-night urged American doctors to volunteer to serve in military and civilian hospitals of "our British friends" in a statement issued from his home here.

The President said the British Red Cross had appealed through the American Red Cross for a thousand young American doctors to help meet an "acute shortage" of doctors in British hospitals.

Hearty Approval

"As President of the American Red Cross I heartily approve of this request."

Volunteers would be enrolled in the British Red Cross and would be protected by the Red Cross Treaty of Geneva.

"Young doctors whom Britain so desperately needs can do much to heal wounds inflicted on civilians and military alike in this cruel war," he added.

### Greek King To Lead

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nces, we shall fully secure our national rights in the hour of final victory.

"We, therefore, call upon you, Hellenes, to stand calm, determined, united and disciplined at our side in the unflinching performance of our supreme duty to the country."

"May we go and save Greece."

### MALTA RAID

Some Damage To Civilian Property: Few Casualties

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—The enemy attacked Malta during the night of April 18, causing some damage to civilian property, but few civilian casualties.

One Junker was shot down into the sea.

From all operations, one of our fighters in missing.

Three Fighters Down

MALTA, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—A small formation of Italian Savoia bombers, escorted by Italian Fiat biplane fighters and Messerschmitts, flew over Malta this morning.

Bombs were dropped in the sea and the anti-aircraft defences were heavily engaged.

British fighters shot down three Fiat fighters into the sea and damaged a fourth which is unlikely to have reached its destination, states an official communique.

All British fighters landed unscathed and there were no casualties.

### Princess Focused Bomb Sights

Princess Elizabeth recently sat at the controls of a Hudson aircraft of the R.A.F. coastal command, while Princess Margaret, lying down flat, focused the bomb sights on an imaginary target.

The sisters had climbed excitedly aboard, watched by the King and Queen.

It was the Princesses' first visit to an R.A.F. station in war-time.

At the station the King decorated 18 R.A.F. officers and men for gallantry in face of the enemy.

### LATE NEWS

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## ALLIED LINE INTACT: FINE HEROISM BY ANZAC FORCES

LONDON, APR. 20 (REUTER).—THE ALLIED LINE IN GREECE REMAINS UNBROKEN SAYS A PRESS MINISTRY BROADCAST FROM ATHENS.

WHILE THE ALLIED LINE HAS BEEN MODIFIED AT SOME POINTS ON THE DEFENDERS OWN INITIATIVE THE LINE CONTINUES FIRM.

THE GERMANS ARE PERSISTENTLY ATTACKING FIERCELY ALONG THE WHOLE GREEK AND BRITISH FRONTS BUT "ALL THEIR VIOLENT EFFORTS TO FORCE A FINAL AND IMMEDIATE DECISION HAVE FAILED."

## BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC

Germans Suffer Losses

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Germany has now lost two of her three best U-boat aces, said Mr A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, speaking of the successes in the "ups and downs" of the Battle of the Atlantic at Tottenham to-day.

Schepke, the ace captain of U100, said Mr Alexander, was dead. His submarine had gone to join U99, captained by another ace, Otto Kretschmer, who was now a prisoner. Both captains have been decorated by Hitler with the Oak Leaves, the highest decoration which Germany has bestowed on her under-

water pirates.

Only three U-boat captains held this decoration.

Both Schepke and Kretschmer had addressed meetings for recruits to U-boat service and Mr Alexander added: "I don't think that this sort of news will encourage them much."

Kretschmer was known and idolised in Germany as the "Wolf of the Atlantic." He had the highest record of destruction of any U-boat captain.

### Enemy Tonnage Lost

Mr Alexander stated that nearly 2,500,000 tons of enemy ships had been captured, destroyed or forced to scuttle. The burden of the Atlantic battle was both grievous and heavy, but never for a moment in day and night was there any slackening in the prosecution of the fight.

"This battle has its ups and downs but I assure you that neither U-boats nor German long-range aircraft have it all their own way," he said. "We continue to take toll of both and as the strength of the co-operation of the Navy with the Coastal Command increases and the number of escorting destroyers and corvettes expands, the toll of the enemy will increase until the Battle of the Atlantic is won."

The First Lord said that we had got to continue fighting, labouring and struggling to get back to something like the escort position we had in the last war when we worked not only as a single fleet but had five powerful Allied fleets and five times the present number of destroyers.

"The amazing thing is that the TURN to Back Page, Column 3

King's eldest daughter on her 15th birthday.

This will easily be Princess Elizabeth's most valuable possession, but she will not be allowed to wear it until she becomes at least 18 years of age, since the Queen only permits her daughter to wear a simple silver wrist watch and a plain engraved brooch.

The Princess will spend her birthday somewhere in the country, where she has been evacuated since Christmas 1939. It will be the most quiet birthday she has ever spent. The King and Queen hope to tear themselves away from their duties in London to visit her.

## Princess Elizabeth 15 To-day

To Receive Priceless  
Heirloom

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Apr. 20 (UP).—Princess Elizabeth will receive a priceless Royal Family heirloom to celebrate her 15th birthday on Monday. It is a turquoise and diamond set comprising a necklace, a brooch and bracelets which once belonged to Queen Victoria and which, according to family tradition, passes to the

## R.A.F. Make North Africa Uncomfortable For Enemy

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—R.A.F. bombers and fighters inflicted heavy casualties and damage on enemy personnel and material in Tripolitania as well as in Cirenaica during yesterday and the previous night, according to an R.A.F. communique.

Enemy motor transport was destroyed in numerous localities, including Aeroma, El Adem, Bardia and Monastir.

A number of enemy aircraft were bombed and damaged at Derna aerodrome and the Berka airport was also raided.

Fighters carried out continuous offensive patrols and inflicted heavy casualties on motorised troops; they machine-gunned Gazala aerodrome where they destroyed one Savoia

The Germans are bringing up more and more reinforcements of mechanised units, infantry and aircraft, but despite all these efforts the British and Greeks are fighting like lions and still hold their lines, says a Greek Press Ministry bulletin.

Advancing in waves, the Germans attempted to secure at all costs the passes in the Kalabaka area but they failed and paid dearly in casualties for their failure.

In the Olympus area the Germans continued to sacrifice their soldiers in thousands without being able to break through.

The heroic exploits of the Australians and New Zealanders are weaving new legends about Mount Olympus.

### SITUATION STILL SERIOUS

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—The situation in the Balkans is still regarded here as serious.

Mount Olympus, on the right flank of the Allied line, was evacuated by the British troops before the Nazis took it, according to well-informed quarters in Cairo.

The operation was part of the British retirement to a shorter line, which is proceeding to plan under a heavy air and mechanised action.

Despite terrific casualties, the Germans continue to hurl masses of troops into the battle.

## ABYSSINIA SITUATION

Selassie Returning To  
His Capital

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Arrangements for the return of the Emperor of Abyssinia to his capital, Addis Ababa, are progressing with all speed, "Reuter" was informed in London to-day.

Emperor Haile Selassie was last reported to be at the head of his army in the Debra Marcos area some 100 miles northwest of Addis Ababa.

### R.A.F. Activity

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—In the Dessie-Aloamata area, enemy positions and motor transport were bombed and machine-gunned, direct hits being obtained on fortifications and military buildings.

R.A.F. fighters machine-gunned motor transport north of Dessie, causing considerable damage and setting oil tankers afire.

### Mopping Up

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Imperial forces have practically reached the outskirts of Dessie, one of the last remaining Italian strongholds in the country.

Operations in Abyssinia are bound to slow down somewhat because of the task of mopping up various Italian columns, it is pointed out here.

## LATEST

See Back Page For  
Further Late News

## New Greek Cabinet Meets

Ministers Named

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—The composition of the new Greek Cabinet, presided over by King George of Greece, was announced to-night, states the Athens radio.

The Deputy Prime Minister is Vice-Admiral Alexander Sakellarios, Chief of Naval Staff who will also be Minister for the Navy.

### Personnel

Other Ministers are:  
War.—General Panagakos.  
Air.—General Nicolaidis.  
Communications and Railways.—General Korzas.  
Foreign Affairs, Finance and National Economy.—Mr Emanuel Unders.  
Public Welfare and Press.—Mr Nikoloudas.  
Agriculture and Labour.—Mr Demetrios.  
Interior and Public Security.—Mr Maniades.  
Education and Justice.—Mr E. Sokeris.  
Under-Secretary of State for Shipping.—Mr S. Theophanides.  
The new government took the oath at 5.15 p.m. this afternoon and held its first meeting immediately afterwards.

### Defence Line Intact

SYDNEY, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—The Acting Premier, Mr A. W. Fadden, declared that the defence line in Greece is intact.

"Austrian troops are in excellent spirits and have been engaged in heavy fighting and have acquitted themselves with great distinction."

Mr Fadden expressed Australia's sympathy with the Greeks in the loss of their Premier, Mr Alexander Korizis.

### Great R.A.F. Activity

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—In Greece, there was considerable and successful activity by the R. A. F. yesterday and the previous day. German dive-bombers, escorted by fighters, attempting to attack our ground troops and shipping at Khaliss, were intercepted by our fighter patrols.

During the day, without loss to ourselves, our fighters shot down three Junkers 87's, two Junkers 88's, four Messerschmitt 109's, one Heinkel 126 and severely damaged many others.

Yesterday several other Savoia 79's were seriously damaged by our fighters over Meles.

## Spanish Cabinet Convened

MADRID, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—"Senor Suner made a statement on the various aspects of the international situation relating to the present moment," declared an official statement after a two-day Cabinet meeting ending last night.

The Phalangist newspaper, "Arriba," follows this up with an article somewhat reminiscent of others printed at the time when Spain was faced with political decisions. "Arguments then to the only foreign policy to which our destiny lies cannot be considered," states "Arriba," adding that foreign affairs must be viewed in unity and those who think otherwise are traitors and cowards.

## BULGARIANS IN MACEDONIA

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
SOFIA, Apr. 20 (UP).—An official communique says that Bulgarian troops yesterday began the occupation of the former Bulgarian portions of Macedonia, and have established headquarters at Skopje. Bulgarian troops have reached the towns of Zhitovo and Plovdiv. The occupation is continuing to plan and the Bulgarian troops have been very warmly received everywhere.

## SHAOSHING CAPTURED Ningpo Entered

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
CHUNGKING, Apr. 20 (UP).—The High Command admits that the Japanese have captured Shaoshing, the wine producing centre, but claims that the Chinese repulsed a Japanese landing at Haimen after very bitter fighting.

### Japanese In Ningpo

SHANGHAI, Apr. 20 (UP).—It is officially announced that the Japanese are entering Ningpo one of the most important ports in Chekiang. Japanese reconnaissance planes saw 1,000 Junks loaded with Chinese troops withdraw from the town after it had been heavily bombed.

### Chinese Reports

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
CHUNGKING, Apr. 20 (Central News).—Chinese troops are offering TURN to Back Page, Column 5

## Nazis Lay Trail Of Death In London & East Anglia

(By "Reuter's" Air Correspondent)

LONDON, Apr. 20.—Reports filtering through from the dazed villages and small towns in East Anglia and the home counties and from the Thames Estuary districts to-day confirmed that there was a wider path of the German air blitz on London and the neighbourhood on Saturday night even than on Wednesday when many outer suburbs, including the southeast, suffered as heavily as the metropolis.

According to the German High Command, this was another reprisal raid for the R.A.F. attack on Berlin, but from the communique in which the raid was given pride of place, the large fires claimed in the Thames bend, the Millwall dock and Greenwich appear to have given the Nazis the most satisfaction.

The Air Ministry stated to-day that the attacks on London were heavy and caused much damage and that the casualties were expected to be fairly high.

## Rescued By Destroyer

The work of the British navy is not confined to fighting, hunting and convoying, but often its ships are engaged in errands of mercy. This remarkable picture illustrates the point. It shows survivors of a ship sunk by the Nazis, being rescued in the lifeboats by a British destroyer. This is another phase of the Battle of the Atlantic.



## BULGARS GUARD GERMAN GAINS

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Bulgaria has been granted temporary new frontiers in Macedonia, Thrace and the Moravia region in Yugo-Slavia, according to the German radio.

Bulgarian troops will continue to advance in Western Thrace so as to occupy the territory limited in the east by a line leading from the Bulgarian frontier town of Servengrad southward to Edogach on the Aegean Sea.

In Macedonia, the Bulgarians will proceed as far west as the River Vardar and south as far as the former Greek frontier. In the northwest, the advance will be to the River Morava.

The Germans emphasise that these lines are not to be regarded as definite frontiers.

## INDIANS AT TOBRUK

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Indian mechanised troops are among the British forces defending Tobruk, well-informed circles revealed to-day.

The Indians have been taking part in the fighting in the Western Desert and have been in action in the west around Gebel and Akhdar. There was no indication to-day of any change in the situation of the Axis forces in Libya.

## HITLER HAS A BIRTHDAY

Rome's Left-Handed  
Compliment

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Hitler spent his birthday (52nd) to-day at his headquarters, presumably somewhere in south-eastern Europe.

After celebrations in the morning, he "resumed his work at 1 p.m." according to the German wireless.

Field Marshal Walter von Brauchitsch, C-in-C of the German Army, in a Hitler birthday Order of the Day to the troops, declared: "Trusting in the Fuehrer and confident of victory, we shall beat the last enemy."

This order was read over the German radio. Admiral Raeder, C-in-C of the Nazi Navy, also issued an order expressing himself confident of victory in the "final struggle against a powerful enemy."

### Second To Duce

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Rome Radio, broadcasting birthday greetings to Hitler to-day, declared: "Hitler is no doubt one of the greatest men in history, but fate has decided that he should only reveal himself after Mussolini has been acknowledged everywhere as the greatest statesman in the world."

## Koo And Quo To Meet At Lisbon

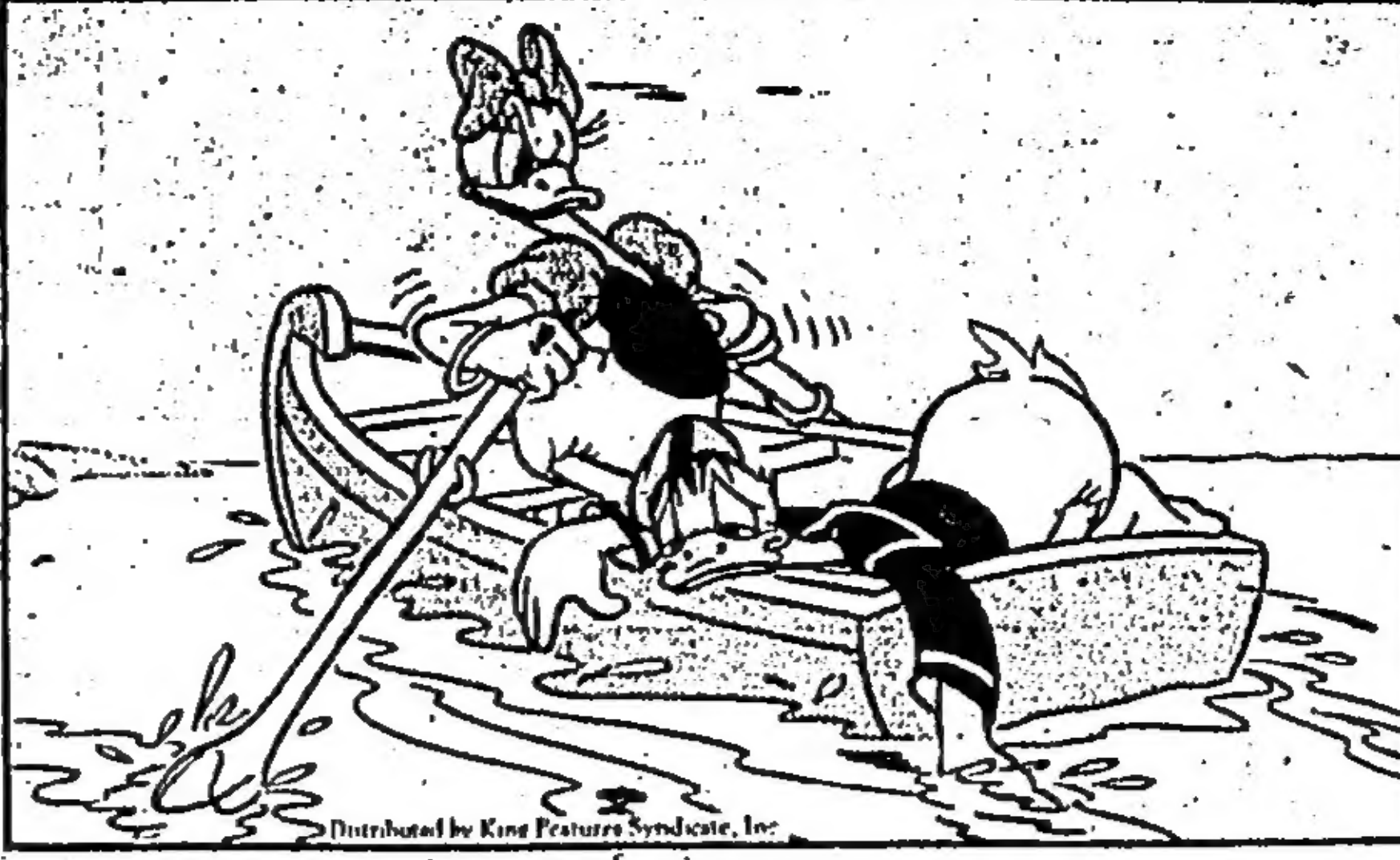
CHUNGKING, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Dr Wellington Koo, the Chinese Ambassador to the Vichy Government, is on his way to Lisbon to meet Dr Quo Tai-chi, the new Chinese Foreign Minister, who is to return to Chungking from London by way of the United States.

Dr Quo Tai-chi has been for the past nine years Ambassador to Britain.

After conferring with Dr Quo Tai-chi, Dr Wellington Koo will probably proceed to London.



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## 'School-Tie' Colonel Dismissed

**COLONEL R. C. BINGHAM** (Old Etonian), who wrote to "The Times" recently suggesting that only public school men were proving fit to receive Army commissions, has been dismissed from his post.

Capt. Margesson (Old Harrobian), the new Secretary for War, announced this in the House of Commons.

The colonel, he said, had committed a breach of King's Regulations, and an expression of the Army Council's severe displeasure has been conveyed to him. That disposed of the disciplinary side of the matter.

## Not Suitable

In addition, he had decided that this officer was no longer suitable for the command of an officer cadet training unit, and he had given instructions for him to be relieved of his command.

Cheers from all parts of the House greeted this decision. Sir Ernest Marjones, Tory M.P. for Knutsford (Old Wykehamist), suggested there was a parallel with a story by H. H. Munro, which described the very unfortunate results to a woman who set to tell the truth.

Captain Margesson did not reply.

## Earl's Grandson

F. G. H. Salisbury, "Daily Herald" War Correspondent, writes: "The dismissed officer is a lieutenant-colonel of the Coldstream Guards, in the Regular Army Reserve of Officers."

The normal procedure now would be for him to return to his regimental depot, pending further employment.

The War Minister's announcement, however, complicates the question of finding him a position suitable to his rank.

It may be presumed that for the time being he will remain unemployed.

Lieut-Colonel Bingham, who is 55, is a grandson of the 4th Earl of Lucan.

## His Letter

His letter to "The Times" stated: "Our new armies are being officered by classes of society who are new to the job. The middle, lower-middle, and working-classes are now receiving the King's Commission. These classes, unlike the old aristocratic and feudal (almost) classes who led the old army, have never had 'their people' to consider. They have never had anyone to think of but themselves."

"This aspect of life is completely new to them, and they have very largely fallen down on it in their capacity as army officers," stated Colonel Bingham, also stated, "Never was the old school so and the best that it stands for, more justified than it is to-day."

## CHINA AIR ROUTES

Peking, Apr. 18.  
The China Aviation Corporation (a Japanese controlled organization) beginning June 1 is opening three new air routes, linking Peking with Yenching in southern Shansi, Swatow with Canton and Peking, and Peking with Tientsin and Dairen.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONGKONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the NINETEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders of the Hongkong Engineering & Construction Company, Limited, will be held at the offices of Messrs. Sir Elly Kadoorie & Sons, St. George's Building, Charter Road, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 30th April, 1941, at 12 o'clock (noon), for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended on the 31st December, 1940, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 24th to 30th April, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

B. ALVES,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th April, 1941.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 52nd Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, the 22nd day of April, 1941, at 11.30 o'clock, a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 9th April, 1941, to TUESDAY, the 22nd April, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

R. TAYLOR,

Manager and Secretary.

Hong Kong, 25th March, 1941.

## NOTICE

DEFENCE REGULATIONS 1940.

The following rates will be charged for mailing single copies of the following newspapers abroad:—

South China Morning Post

China and Macao

16 cents per copy

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China and Macao

14 cents per copy

16 cents Saturdays

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## Honour For Mdm. Chiang

Mme. Chiang Kai-shek recently was presented with the blue triangle pin of the American Y.W.C.A. becoming the third woman in the world to receive the honour.

The presentation was made by Miss Lilian K. Haas, secretary of the Y.W.C.A. National Board for China, and was made in the presence of the Generalissimo, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, U.S. Ambassador to China, and many important Government officials and their wives.

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, wife of the President of the United States and Queen Elizabeth of England are the two other recipients of the pin.

Miss Haas, in presenting the pin, said that the "three triangles represent three Democracies—China, Britain and America."

EMIGRANTS FROM COLONY

The number of Chinese emigrants leaving the Colony for the Straits Settlements during the month of March was 3,019.



The Misses Maureen Booker, Rachel Smith, Pamela Pritchard, Betty Richards, Betty Longbottom and Cynthia Santh, who will appear in "Pure and Simple," an attractive revue organised by the H.K.V.A.D. in aid of the British bombed areas. The show will be presented at the China Fleet Club Theatre on Friday and Saturday next.

## Billion in French Gold Stored in Martinique

VICHY, April 20 (UP).—The entire gold reserve of the Bank of France, estimated at \$1,000,000,000 (U.S.), has been transferred safely to Martinique aboard the French cruiser Emile Bertin, it is announced here.

The French cruiser narrowly escaped seizure last June when British authorities learned that Marshal Petain had asked a separate armistice, it was said.

The gold is now said to be buried in the mountain-top fortress of Desaix, at Fort de France, in 14,000 sacks under a slab of concrete and protected by naval guns from the old battleship Jules Ferry, which can fire 23 miles to sea.

More than eight months after the transfer, it was disclosed for the first time here that the gold had left France.

When the war began, the Bank of France decentralised its gold and hid it in secret places in the provinces. When the Somme line broke, and it became apparent that nothing would stop the Germans, the gold was gathered at Vaulx at Le Puy, in the volcanic fastnesses of the Auvergne central highlands.

## Gold Moved

The day the German armies crossed the Sene at Vernon, bank officials decided to move the gold to America secretly. Fourteen sacks, each containing 120 pounds of gold worth 40,000,000 francs, were removed hastily from the vaults of the Bank of France at Le Puy. The German armies on the same day were crossing the Seine at Vernon.

There was a wild race to Brest with the gold sacks. On June 12 the whole stock was embarked on the cruiser Emile Bertin, in charge of Commander Ballet, who was given sealed orders. Watchers knew that if the cruiser turned north the gold was going to Britain. It turned south the gold was bound for Dakar, Africa. But it went straight west at 30 knots and on June 18 arrived at Halifax, Nova Scotia.

## Veteran Company

All members of the Veteran Company, H.K.V.D.C., will commence training at Murray Barracks, Garden Road, Victoria, to-day, April 21, at 5.15 p.m.

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## UPPER LEVELS A.R.P. OFFICERS' DANCE A SUCCESS

More than 300 people, including officials of the A.R.P. Department, A.R.P. officers and wardens, officers of the Volunteer Corps, the Naval Volunteer Force and the St John Ambulance Brigade, shared an enjoyable time at the Club Lusitano on Saturday evening when a dance was given by the officers of the Upper Levels Division of the Corps of Air Raid Wardens.

The function was a big success, a buffet supper being served at midnight and dancing continuing till the early hours, the music being provided by the Middlesex Regiment Dance Band.

Divisional Warden H. R. Sequiera received the guests. Among those who attended were Wing Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, Director of Air Raid Precautions, Mr. B. H. Puckle, Mr. Wong Sik-kuen, A.R.P. Aide-de-Camp to the Governor, Mr. M. L. Bevan, Mr. Ho Kam-long, Mr. Tse Ka-po, Major C. Chang, Capt. C. de Saille Robertson, Mr. Ernest Manning, Mr. G. A. Pentreath, Mr. A. Hyde-Lay, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Runjahn, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Baptista, Miss Priscilla Ho, the Misses Grant, Mr. A. E. M. Rafeek, Mr. George Sun and Miss Lorna Mok.

## Object of Function

At supper, Wing Commander Steele-Perkins, in a brief speech, congratulated the Upper Levels Division for their initiative in arranging the dance, which he said was the first function of its kind since the inauguration of the Corps of Air Raid Wardens. The object of such a function, he said, was to bring all members of the Corps closer together.

He expressed thanks to the Committee of the Club Lusitano for allowing the use of their Club, and to Mr. Baptista for the fine decorations in the ballroom.

## Play's Record Run On Broadway

"Tobacco Road," the grim and sordid drama of the Georgian Hills, which broke all records for length of run on Broadway, is now in its eighth year.

The previous Broadway record was held by "Abie's Irish Rose," with 2,317 performances. In London the Lord Chamberlain refused a licence to "Tobacco Road," and it was performed in private at the Gate Theatre Studio.

## Arctic Is Boring Nazis To Death

HUNDREDS of German troops stationed in northern Norway are being invalidated home with the mysterious Arctic malady known as "Lappon disease."

The Military Psychiatric Institute in Berlin, it was announced recently, is trying to find a way to protect soldiers from the illness which takes the form of severe nervous breakdown followed by complete lethargy, resembling sleeping sickness.

It is believed to be caused by the long Arctic night, lack of vitamins, solitude and boredom; and it sometimes leads to violent lunacy.

It seems that the morale of German soldiers in the occupied countries is becoming so seriously affected that Hitler has ordered the expenditure of millions of pounds on German "soldiers' homes," to be established everywhere between the "North Cape and the Bay of Biscay."

The first twelve "homes" are to be built in northern Norway.

## Y.M.C.A. VETERAN

Mr B. W. Smith Leaving Shanghai After 26 Years

The Shanghai Navy Y.M.C.A. and the Navy Y.M.C.A. District Executive Secretary, Mr B. W. Smith is sailing for home in the President Pierce on May 3.

## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Body of Moslem law  
6—Deer  
11—Windflower  
12—Capable of being heard  
15—Small bird  
16—Part of rapier  
18—Legal profession  
19—Providing  
20—Recruiter  
21—Southern State (abbr.)  
22—Upper stories  
23—Small mound  
24—Appellation  
25—Three spot  
31—Stab with horns  
32—God of riches  
34—Points opposite south  
38—Circuit  
39—Drunkards  
40—Wounded by teeth  
41—Airplane  
42—Laid for  
43—Beverage  
47—Wine sediment  
48—Constellation: the Altar  
49—Mellows burning  
51—Ancestor of Irish  
52—With wide-open mouth  
55—Behold  
56—Dumbar

DOWN

1—Standard clothing  
2—Permit  
3—Printer's measure  
4—Indigo dye  
5—Divulgence  
7—Ornament  
8—Nile of scale  
9—Delta  
10—Slave traders  
11—Fitted  
12—Forsaking ant  
13—To rear  
14—Della  
17—At sea  
20—Science of words  
21—Pertaining to archery  
22—Italian point  
23—Pieces  
24—Repentant  
25—Indian back-buck  
31—Cur  
32—Curry  
35—Footed  
36—Brought forth young  
37—Barricade  
41—Colony of words  
42—Mine entrances  
44—Seed coating  
46—Bound in sleep  
48—Cut  
50—Tree  
51—Beverage  
54—Went to right  
57—Nothing  
59—Agitate air  
61—Greek letter  
62—Italian river

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The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended: Hunan, Szechuen, Kweichow, Kwantung, Kwangsi, North and East of Kwantung.

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

## INWARD AIR-MAILS

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 14th April ..... Apr. 21.  
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 19th April ..... Apr. 26.

## OUTWARD AIR-MAILS

Monday, Apr. 21  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."

K. F. O.  
Reg. .... Apr. 21, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Apr. 21, 5.30 p.m.

G. F. O.  
Reg. .... Apr. 21, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Apr. 21, 7 p.m.

Friday, April 25  
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."

K.F.O. and G.F.O.  
Reg. .... Apr. 25, 4 p.m.  
Ord. .... Apr. 25, 4.30 p.m.

Saturday, Apr. 26  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."

K.F.O. and G.F.O.  
Reg. .... Apr. 26, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Apr. 26, 5.30 p.m.

## Chain-Gang Fugitive May Go Back

THE man who wrote "I Am a Fugitive from a Chain Gang," Robert E. Burns is to go back to Georgia, U.S.A., to stand his trial on a charge of being a fugitive from the chain gang, according to a report from Atlanta, (Georgia).

Burns has been living in New Jersey for some years since the success of his film and his famous book, and the authorities there refused to extradite him until yesterday. He had been given a six-year sentence for theft, until he escaped, and in his book he describes the whipping of prisoners and their confinement in sweat boxes and in stocks.

He tells how he managed to escape, only to be caught. He escaped again, and this time remained at liberty.



# Hongkong News of the Week

## A Page For The Evacuees

### Monday

April 14

**Wedding.** Two former members of the Kailan Mining Administration staff were, lately married, at St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road, early on Easter Monday morning by the Rev. J. Ward, Army Chaplain. They are Mr. Robert C.M.A. at Lhasa, Hoped, North China, who recently arrived in Hongkong to take a Commission in the Royal Engineers, who recently joined the nursing staff of the Kowloon Hospital after service in the medical department of the K.M.A. North China.

Eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Doherty, of County Down, Northern Ireland, the bride previously served with the Government, and also with the Indian Medical Service, and also well-known in Ireland and other areas for her hunting and other sports activities.

The bridegroom is the eldest son of Mr. Robert W. Robson, of Messrs. Dorman Long & Co., Ltd., and Mrs. Robson, of Cheshire, England. Before joining the Kailan Mining Administration, he was employed by Messrs. Simon Carls, Ltd., as Resident Engineer in Kharabuk, Turkey.

In Pale Gold

The bride arrived at the Church on the arm of Mr. C. F. Bellamy, General Manager of the Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd., by whom she was given away. She wore a gown of French duchesse satin in pale gold, fashioned after a Worth model. Moulded to the figure, the gown reached to the ankles, and had a row of tiny self buttons down the back from neck to elbow fasteners of the tight fitting sleeves. A softly pleated turban of the same material as the gown, trimmed with a

full, elbow-length veil of white cut tulle was also worn. Arum lilies and lilies-of-the-valley composed the bouquet.

Mrs. R. A. Rodgers was matron-of-honour, and Mrs. Nan McEllen, who wore a frock of dusty pink-crepe with navy accessories, was the bridesmaid. African daisies, was the bride's hair.

Mr. Robert Parkin, who is on the Financial Adviser's staff of the China Command, undertook the duties of best man.

The Rev. Fr. A. Niganti was at the organ. The reception was held in the Jacobean Room of the Hongkong Hotel. Afterwards Mrs. Robson changed into a dress of black chiffon velvet on tailored lines, with which she wore white accessories.

Police Quarters Struck. The damage caused to the European Officers' Married Quarters at Central Police Station when the building was struck by lightning on Sunday morning was found to be much more extensive than at first estimated.

The asbestos ceilings of two rooms on the top floor caved in and the floor was littered with wood splinters and other debris from the roof, while a considerable amount of crockery, glassware and furniture was damaged.

The flat was formerly occupied by Inspector G. Hunter, and his family, who are at present away in Australia. When fire broke out as a result of the lightning, the Brigade had to break open the door to gain admittance. The flames, which were seen rising through the chimney, were quickly extinguished.

The roof has been temporarily shored up and men are already at work taking down the ceiling boards and renewing the wiring. It is expected that the repairs will take some time to complete.

### Tuesday

April 15

**Dull Tennis Match.** Postponed on two previous occasions, the doubles match between Paul Kong and Fung Yee-ping, and C. H. Hung and E. C. Fincher, in the Tennis championships, was decided today. The latter pair won in straight sets, 6-1, 6-4.

The match was the duldest seen for some time, despite the fact that three veterans in Kong, Hung and Fincher participated. All the players were guilty of innumerable errors, and except on two occasions, no point was won with more than two strokes.

The first set went to Hung and Fincher without much opposition, but in the second set, which started slowly, improved considerably in the second set to take the lead at 4-1. That, however, was as far as they got, as Hung and Fincher reeled off five games in a row to win the set and match.

**Results:** Open Doubles: W. C. Hung and E. C. Fincher beat Paul Kong and Fung Yee-ping, 6-1, 6-4. Singles: R. E. Guest beat T. C. Monaghan 6-1, 6-2. Club Handicap Singles, semi-final: T. J. Gould beat J. Sterling 6-1, 6-3. Final: Gould beat Sterling 6-1, 6-3. B. B. B. and S. C. D. Knight beat E. R. Childs and S. L. Maughan 6-3, 6-4.

**Women's Badminton.** The first round of the Glovecourt Club Badminton and badminton championship was played to-night at the Jewish Recreation Club. Miss M. M. Silva and Miss A. Xavier beat Miss J. Choi and Miss M. Choi 15-10, 15-10. The losers played off slowly with the winners appearing to find difficulty in getting accustomed to the court. They lived up in the second game and gave the winners a good light. The score was 15-10, 15-11.

**Good form** was shown by Miss M. Ribeiro and Mrs. O. Silva who beat Miss K. Khoo and Mrs. Wilson 15-10, 15-10. The losers played off slowly with the winners appearing to find difficulty in getting accustomed to the court. They lived up in the second game and gave the winners a good light. The score was 15-10, 15-11.

**Other matches** lacked interest as the losers provided little opposition. Miss N. Castro and Miss E. Gonzalez beat Miss E. Wong and Miss Wong 15-10, 15-10. The losers played off slowly with the winners appearing to find difficulty in getting accustomed to the court. They lived up in the second game and gave the winners a good light. The score was 15-10, 15-11.

**Miss Dorothy Crofton.** The death occurred last Thursday, Sydney, Australia, of Mrs. Dorothy Hilda Crofton, Resident Manager, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Simons, Miss E. S. Atkins, Mr. G. F. E. Thompson, Mr. H. W. G. McLaren, Mr. Wright, Mr. F. Tyndall, Dr. E. W. Kirk, the Rev. J. E. Sandbach, Mr. P. Symons, Mr. A. Butfield, Mr. D. M. MacAdam, Mr. T. J. Hemsley, Representatives of the T. H. Club, Hongkong, and the Chinese Staff of the Gas Company.

**The Right Rev. R. O. Hall,** Bishop of Hongkong, officiated at the graveside service, and among those present were Mr. H. E. Stone, General Manager of the Gas Company, Mr. F. Goodwin, Resident Manager, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Simons, Miss E. S. Atkins, Mr. G. F. E. Thompson, Mr. H. W. G. McLaren, Mr. Wright, Mr. F. Tyndall, Dr. E. W. Kirk, the Rev. J. E. Sandbach, Mr. P. Symons, Mr. A. Butfield, Mr. D. M. MacAdam, Mr. T. J. Hemsley, Representatives of the T. H. Club, Hongkong, and the Chinese Staff of the Gas Company.

**The late Mrs. Crofton,** who had a wide circle of friends in Kowloon, was evacuated to Australia with her only daughter, Pamela. She leaves, in addition to her husband and daughter, a son who is employed in the Government service here. Although the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd. has not yet decided upon the immediate rebuilding of Nos. 11, 13 and 13A Queen's Road Central, drawings are now being prepared to enable the work to be put in hand without delay as soon as the scheme is considered advisable. The new building, when erected, will be one of the most imposing of many modern buildings recently constructed in the Colony.

It is understood that Messrs. Leigh and Orange have been entrusted with the work, and the structure will replace St. Francis Hotel and the block up to the corner of Ice House Street. This building will be joined to the back of Windsor House, forming one large "U" shaped block. The present idea is to lay out the ground floor in either a series of three bank premises or one large bank at the corner with a smaller one to the west. Upwards from the first to the sixth floors, office accommodation will be provided, and great planning care is being exercised in the direction of light and ventilation. It is understood that the general principles of Windsor House will be continued as regards construction.

1925, but in the following year he came back to Hongkong to take charge of the Secretariat Department of the Company until 1937, when he went home on retirement.

During his stay in Hongkong, Mr. Bentley took a great interest in the company's activities and held high office in practically all the Lodges. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Nita Bentley, who is in England.

**Golf Results.** D. Hunter, played on the New Course, Fanning, on Saturday, April 12, between the women of the Kowloon Golf Club and those of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, resulted in a tie.

The collection for the Ladies' Golf Union Spill Fund now amounts to \$1,240 and 130. The list is about to be closed and those wishing to subscribe are requested to send in their contributions to Mrs. K. MacKenzie, 47 Stubbs Road, before the end of the week.

**Kowloon City Titles.** On Saturday R. K. Collins won the senior title of the Kowloon Golf Club when he beat T. B. Low five and four over 30 holes. Collins, who is 79, 78, 75, 74, 73, 72, 71, 70, 69, 68, 67, 66, 65, 64, 63, 62, 61, 60, 59, 58, 57, 56, 55, 54, 53, 52, 51, 50, 49, 48, 47, 46, 45, 44, 43, 42, 41, 40, 39, 38, 37, 36, 35, 34, 33, 32, 31, 30, 29, 28, 27, 26, 25, 24, 23, 22, 21, 20, 19, 18, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1.

**At Fanning.** D. Hunter (1) won the Shanghai-Visitors Cup at Fanning on Sunday when he returned a net score of 152 for 38 holes on the Old Course. D. L. Bonquet won the prize for the best morning round with 72, and C. W. Reeve took the prize for the afternoon round with 75.

**Complete scores were:** D. Hunter (1) 72-152; D. L. Bonquet (18) 72-152; A. B. Purves (19) 74-152; Hunter wins with the best score for the last 10 rounds.

**The honeymoon** was to be spent at Baguio. Mrs. Himsforth went away in a royal blue French moroccan dress with white silk braided military trimming, with hat and handbag to match.

**New Science Building.** The foundation stone of the new Science Building of the Hongkong University at Pokfulam, was laid by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, today in the presence of a large and distinguished gathering.

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### Review Of

### The Principal Topics

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### Wednesday

April 16

**Mr Himsforth Married.** A gown of white French satin in Watteau style, with a train three yards long, was worn by Miss Emily Pratt, turning sister of Kowloon Hospital, when she was married to Mr Eric Himsforth, Deputy Immigration Officer, Colonial Administrative Service, at the Union Church to-day. The Rev. K. MacKenzie D.O. officiated, and Mr G. E. Longyear was at the organ.

The bride is the younger daughter of the late Major and Mrs. B. Pratt, of London. Her illness veil was held in place by her father's praline blossom and pearls. She also wore a pearl necklace and pearl bracelet, and carried a bouquet of arum lilies.

**His Honour Sir Athol MacGregor,** Chief Justice, gave the bride away, and Lady MacGregor, in a smart dress of biscuit coloured lace with net to match, acted as matron-of-honour.

The Misses Doris and Helen Kotewall, as bridesmaids, wore powder blue French tulle frocks in Louis XVI style, with hennesses to match, and carried bouquets of pink roses. Little Wendie Kotewall, granddaughter of Robert Kotewall, wore the flower-girl's dress, and carried a tiny frock of shell pink French tulle.

The bridegroom, who is the elder son of the late Mr H. Himsforth and Mrs. Himsforth of Iles Bank, England, arrived in Hongkong in January, 1920. He was appointed Deputy Registrar of the Supreme Court in February, 1931, and was transferred to the Treasury in the following January. In May he became Assistant Head of the Sanitary Department. In June, 1934, he became District Officer, South, and the following month Assistant Head of the Sanitary Department. During April and May, 1935, he acted as Head of the Police Force in the Northern City. He was appointed First Clerk and Police Magistrate, Hongkong.

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**Mr H. L. MacKenzie** undertook the duties of best man. A largely attended reception was held later at the Gloucester Hotel.

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**Pretty Wedding.** A pretty wedding was celebrated at the Peak Church to-day, when Miss Marjorie Dobson, nursing sister of the War Memorial Nursing Home, became the bride of Mr. Frank Buckle, chief instructor in engineering at the Government Trade School. The bride was accompanied by Mrs. W. Dobson, of Colchester, Yorkshire. She wore a gown of white lace when she arrived at the church on the arm of Mr S. T. Williamson.

The bride was composed of pink carnations. Miss D. P. Geen, as maid-of-honour, wore a navy blue silk dress with green accessories.

The bridegroom is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. Buckle, of Middlesex, Yorkshire. He arrived in Hongkong in November 1930, after having served in Nyasaland as chief engineer of the Marine Department.

### Thursday

April 17

**Black-out is Wash-out.** "Last night's short black-out cannot be considered a success," said Wing-Comdr. A. H. on the Stand Court. With the exception of Steele-Perkins, Director of Air Raid, the standard of play was pathetic, observers were not so sure that Hongkong from 8,000 feet appeared a mass of lights, as if they still had something in reserve.

First reports, from land observation, was that the black-out was fairly successful, but the danger of relying on such observations was fully borne out by the reports of observers who flew over the Colony by plane.

Wing-Comdr. Steele-Perkins made a tour from Shaikwan to West Point, and reported that the standard of play was pathetic, observers were not so sure that Hongkong from 8,000 feet appeared a mass of lights, as if they still had something in reserve.

Though the Central and Western districts had improved somewhat, the previous black-outs were still too light, showing, however, he finished up very weakly, his length added it was a gratification to see the going all to pieces. Fincher, strangely increase in houses which really made a creditable attempt at a black-out.

The black-out automatically began at sunset and ended at 10 p.m. No air raid sirens were sounded and traffic continued on land and water without interference.

Disappointing Tennis. Tait Wal-pui and Tait Yau-pui, former holders, were endeavouring to pass his opponent with drives, instead of lobbing whenever the latter advanced to the net. Admittedly he was successful on several occasions in this respect, but this was more than outweighed by the first loss.

**Death of Miss Russell.** Miss Margaret Jane Russell died at 3 a.m. today at her residence "The Hermitage," Kennedy Road after a long illness.

Though she had not enjoyed good health since 1935 Miss Russell had kept Rumjahn fought bravely, and she had continued to carry on her business, church and social activities. About two months ago she took a turn for the worse.

A native of Shanghai, Miss Russell was born in 1890 and had lived for 50 years in Hongkong. She was known to many societies in the Colony for her generous contributions to charitable causes, the Benevolent Society being a particular beneficiary.

A regular attendee at the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Miss Russell was one of the pioneer members of the church, if not the oldest member.

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Miss Russell had a nephew in America who is the only relative apart from Miss May Clark, cousin, who had for long assisted her in the management of her household.

Miss Russell was the first tenant of Garden Terrace. At the time of her death she held leases on part of that property and on "Southcliffe," "The Hermitage," "Courtland," and "Kings-20 Hill."

**St. George's Society.** An appeal to all Englishmen in the Colony who are not members of St. George's Society to join, was made by Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, Acting President, who took the Chair at the annual meeting of the Society, which was held to-day in the Board Room of the Hongkong Jockey Club.

On the election of new officers, Mr. C. Hall was appointed President. Among those present were the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, the Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. H. R. B. Hancock, Lieut. Col. H. B. Dowling (Past President), Messrs. F. C. Hall, P. S. Cassell, J. D. Dunlop, G. Miskin, V. C. Lebrun, (Committee), Mr. S. T. Butlin (representing the Secretaries and Treasurers, Messrs. Linstead and Davis), R. H. K. Cobb, G. D. Labrum, L. J. Davies and Chief Inspector W. R. C. Wood (members).

**25,000 Street Sleepers.** Twenty thousand street sleepers were accounted for in the recent Census undertaken by the Air Raid Precaution Department, under the direction of Wing-Comdr. A. H. Steele-Perkins, Director of A.R.P. It was learned to-day.

The census also served to reveal the number of people living in each district. There are approximately 15,000 people residing at Aberdeen, 35,000 at Bay View, 100,000 in the Central district, 210,000 in the Eastern district, 3,000 at Gough Hill, 25,000 at Quarry Bay, 31,000 at Shaikwan, 8,000 at Stanley, 60,000 in the Upper Levels area, 156,000 in the Western district, 41,000 at Hung Hom, 83,000 at Kowloon City, 110,000 at Mongkok, 175,000 at Shamshuipo, 35,000 at Tsimshatsui, and 148,000 at Yau Ma Tei.

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The tunnel is approximately eight moroccan trimmed with soft grey fur, feet wide with vast corridors branching to right and left throughout its length. Workmen are constantly at work, drilling, shoring and excavating earth and granite encountered. A tunnel was made for the cost of building A.R.P. tunnels, which have been fully expended in the middle of May. Further progress on similar lines will depend on light, whether or not additional funds will be granted by Government.

### Saturday

April 19

**Miss Fisher Weds.** In place of the traditional all-white wedding ensemble, Miss Allison Jeanette Fisher wore a gown of ice blue satin, of modernist French design, with shoes of the same material, and a veil to match, when she became the bride of Mr. Reginald Wilson Owens at St. John's Cathedral.

### Quips By "Argus"

#### With Acknowledgments

The tunnel blasting has become a nightly lullaby in some districts. It's all good practice for the nerves. It also suggests that we might set our money back by contriving some amusements and making some showy caves to entertain the tourists.

Three generals have got themselves captured in Libya. - And are their tabs red!

And maybe if they crossed hens with geese we could have Easter eggs ready wrapped with gold paper.

The black-out was good in spots. What the public needs are infra-red spectacles: and what the authorities need is a device for spraying far from aeroplanes.

They've a special branch of the Police in Singapore to deal with corruption. And that's enough to make the sea grin.

Hongkong evacuees will participate in the Australian child endowment scheme. It's a great country Australia: down there you got something for other people's money.

An I understand it, the Russo-Japanese pact is a happy omen of disaster, because it prevents the Democrares from discouraging a split in the Axis when the southward move goes west.

There is reinsurance news from the Finance Committee front. It is believed that Government House is healing up.

The earth shook at Chongtu. Reminds me that the Hemingways are up that way.

to-day. She carried a Bouquet of blue forget-me-nots.

The Very Rev. J. L. Wilson, Dean of Hongkong, officiated, assisted by the Rev. J. E. Sandbach.

The bride, who is the daughter of the late Captain Fisher and Mrs. F. T. Fisher, formerly of Sydney, Australia, and now of Hongkong, is a popular member of the Colony's younger social set, and has been much in demand as a singer at charity dances. She was educated at the Central British School.

The bridegroom is the son of Captain S. B. Owens of the U.S. Army (retired), and Mrs. Owens of Elizabeth Town, Pennsylvania, U.S.A. He is the representative for Messrs. Parke, Davis & Co., in South China.

Mr. D. D. Forbes, manager of Messrs. Andersen, Meyer & Co., gave the bride away, and Mr. Jack Dwyer acted as best man.

In keeping with the colour scheme, the two bridesmaids, the Misses Ellen Bliss and Virginia Beaumont, wore frocks of powder blue silk nylon with large blue picture hats. They carried bouquets of pale pink roses. The bride's mother was also in blue, her gown being of French material.

The reception was held at the American Club, where the many friends of the bride and groom gathered to extend their congratulations.

When the happy couple left for Repulse Bay, where the honeymoon is to be spent, Mrs. Owens wore a mustard coloured moroccan frock with a summer felt hat and accessories to match.



### Sunday

April 13

**Funeral of Mrs. Anderson.** The number of mourners who attended the funeral of Mrs. H. G. Anderson, an old resident of the Colony, at the Roman Catholic Cemetery to-day, testified to the esteem in which she was held by all who knew her. She died at her residence in College View, on Saturday at the age of 80.

Mrs. Anderson was born in Shanghai, but since her marriage to the late Mr. Henry Graham Anderson, had lived almost the last 60 years in Hongkong.

She is survived by her elder brother and nine children, Mr. C. G. Anderson in Hongkong, Mr. James G. Anderson in Shanghai, Dr. Henry M. Anderson who has rejoined the R.A.M.C. since the war, Mr. John G. Anderson who is serving with the British Army in England, and five daughters all in the Colony, Kate, Mabel, Irene, Agnes and Edith.

Included among her grandchildren are Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, and the Misses Joyce, Marjorie, Emily, and June Anderson, Mr. Ho Hung-kwan, Mr. Ho Hung-ping, Mrs. Shum Pung-yang and Mrs. H. Nolasco da Silva Jr.

The Rev. Father L. Fung officiated at the service held at the Cemetery Chapel and also at the graveside. He was assisted by Fathers Spadin, Novini, Teruzzi, Grampi, Benzoni and Brother Mario. A number of Altar boys from the Cathedral were also present.

Others present at the funeral were Sir Robert Ho Tung, the Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall, Mrs. Ho Leung, Mrs. Ho Sai-wah, Mrs. Ho Ki, Mrs. Li Shi-kai, Mrs. A. E. Hall, Mrs. Wong Kam-fuk, Mr. and Mrs. A. Zimmermann, Mr. and Mrs. K. F. Lay, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Crose.

Messrs. Lo Yung-long, Robert Chon, S. M. Churn, Tse Ka-po, E. D. Bush, Choa Po-yiu, Fred Zimmerman, Vai Po-chung, James Chon, G. W. Fenton, Augusta Leong, S. N. Chan, A. P. Greaves, Hung Hing-fai, W. Fox, H. Fox, Fung Wo-lu, E. S. Ford, K. Chan, A. Ford, John Shea, W. C. Hung, Kwan Wan-to, and a number of Sisters from the Concession Institute.

**Mr. Elliott's Funeral.** The funeral of the late Mr. Terrence Charles Elliott, age 33, assistant engineer of the Hongkong and China Gas Company, Ltd., who died at the War Memorial Nursing Home on Saturday, was held at the Colonial Cemetery, Happy Valley, to-day.



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## A MORAL DEFEAT

DICTATORS are unpleasant phenomena. They are products of greed, but fortunately the qualities that bring them into being also carry the elements of their destruction. Their nature denies the possibility of continuity. A dictator must either continue to expand or fade into insignificance. Either eventuality is fatal. Hitler and Mussolini cannot hope to escape their fate, and indeed Mussolini has already had his eclipse, while Hitler though still "enjoying" the fruits of aggressive onslaught, must see the definite tide of revolt rising against him.

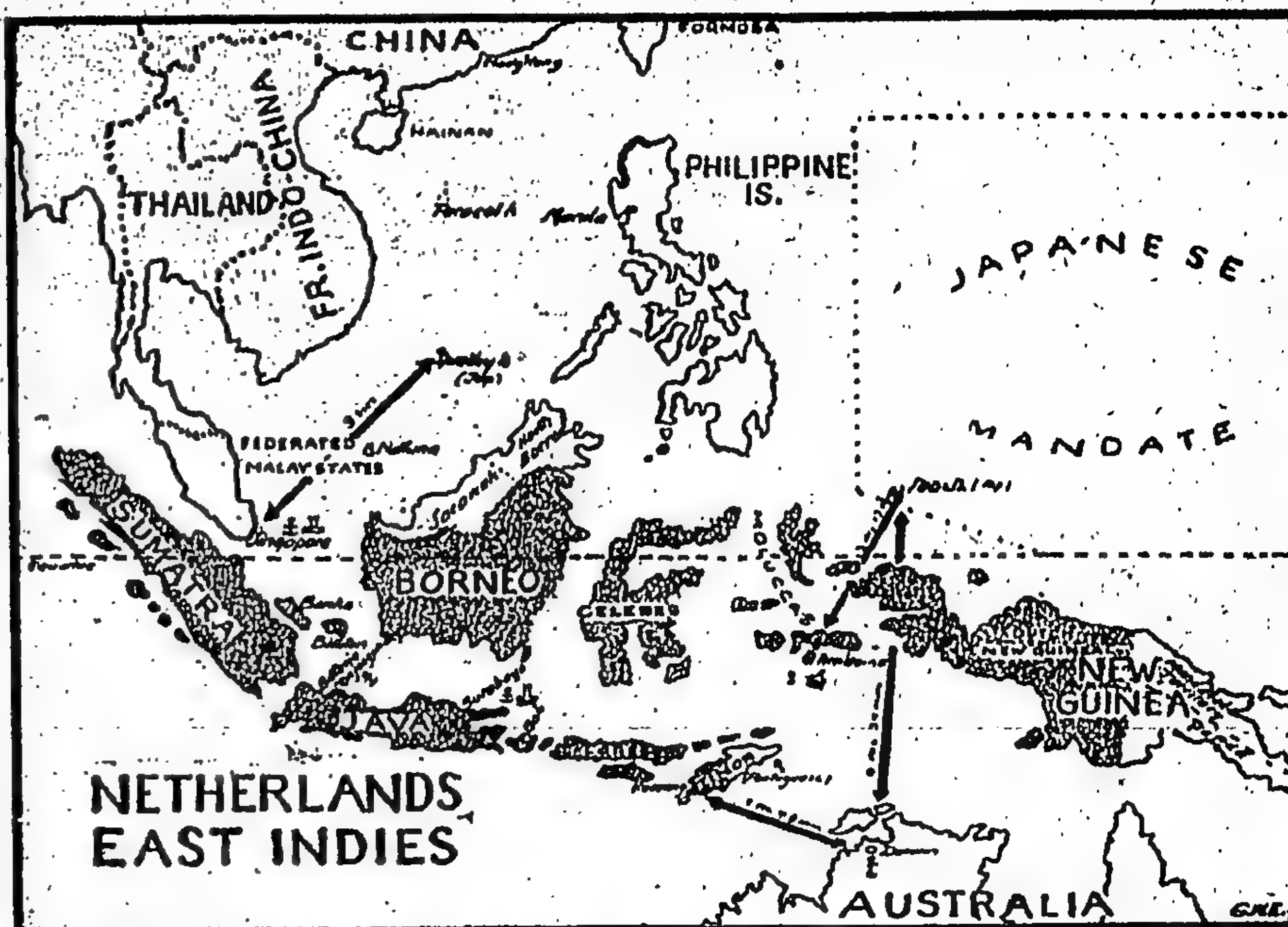
London has for some months past been the centre of a number of governments exiled from their homelands. The representatives of each nation are not idly constructing a miniature court in exile, but are energetically organising revolt against dictatorship by fostering and encouraging their unfortunate citizens remaining under German rule. Reports, rumours and authenticated accounts continually filter through German censorship. Details of revolt here, resistance there and sabotage everywhere indicate how small a hold the Nazi system has gained, and proves that once Hitler's Gestapo and army of occupation weaken, their cause is lost. The Yugo-Slavia decision to fight rather than submit tamely is an indication of the increasing repugnance felt towards the Nazi system, and with it the growing courage to resist. Yugo-Slavia may succumb to sheer overweight in numbers; Greece too, may find it necessary to submit, but have obliged Hitler to fight in that part of Europe which he had hoped to gain by treachery, without a battle. He may win it, but it will cost him men, ammunition, equipment, gasoline—all of which are precious to him. The fact that he has had to fight at all is for him a defeat.

The nations of Europe have been saying "yes" to Hitler for many years. Yugo-Slavia and Greece said "no." Hitler met moral defeat when the British resisted. He has met moral defeat again, and though Britain may have weakened her position in Cirenica and Lybia, though she may be "running a great risk," as Mr. Churchill put it, it is well that she has sent what aid she could to Greece. It now remains for the United States, who also promised aid—their Minister to Belgrade gave pledges in the name of his country—to act quickly and powerfully.

WHEN THE WILHELMUS IS SUNG IN ANY TOWN IN THE INDIES, it is the almost invariable practice to sing the British National Anthem as well. Portraits of King George hang side by side with those of Queen Wilhelmina, and Hollanders speak of Mr Churchill as "our leader." The feeling of solidarity between the two nations is complete.

In surveying the strength of our Allies and their ability to contribute towards the prosecution of the war, complete dependence can be placed on the Netherlands colonial empire. It is in the economic sphere that the Indies can chiefly help.

The supplies of sugar and tea which are being sent to fulfil orders placed by the Ministry of Food, together with the Netherlands Indies' purchases of Lancashire goods, are tokens of the desire of the Hollander in the East to do everything in his power to assist Great Britain. The monetary agreement covering British purchases in the Indies virtually means that the goods need not be paid for until



# The Free Dutch Oversea and what the Japanese discovered

By A Special Correspondent

two and a half years after the end of the war, the money being meanwhile invested in Treasury Bonds, although wherever possible the Indies are drawing upon their sterling balances for purchases from within the British Empire.

## "Assistance"

AFTER the German invasion of the Netherlands, the Japanese appeared to think that the whole structure of the Indies would collapse and that the Dutch colonial empire would be ready and eager for Japan's "assistance" in economic and even in political matters. Instead, they found the Governor-General well able to maintain the status quo in a country which felt quite strong enough to safeguard its interests in trade, defence, and internal government. This greatly impressed the Japanese.

The Dutch believe that one of the mistakes of the French Indo-China authorities, when the Japanese were making demands against them, was their appeal for help to the United States. The Japanese took this to be the best moment for increasing their pressure, and when they found that the United States was unable to do more for Indo-China than express concern about the future of the country—they simply walked in.

## Will Fight

It is impossible to exaggerate the difference between Indo-China and the Netherlands Indies. In the former, there was defeatism, from the moment France collapsed; in the latter, every setback in Europe had the effect of increasing the Hollanders' will to victory. No one who has stayed in the Indies more than a few days would ask, as some who do not know the country and the temper of

its people sometimes ask, whether the Netherlands Indies would fight if they were attacked. The moral of the people, their Government, and the fighting forces has never been higher.

The Japanese discovered this during the recent economic conversations. There is probably more truth than might appear on the surface in the assertion of Mr Kobayashi that the Netherlands Indies are not regarded by the Japanese Government as coming within the scope of the "new order in greater East Asia."

## Standpoint Clear

MR H. VAN MOOK, the director of economic affairs in the Indies, who was appointed by Queen Wilhelmina as Minister plenipotentiary to lead the Dutch delegation in the talks with Mr Kobayashi, has made the Netherlands Indies' standpoint perfectly clear in a memorandum circulated recently to members of the Volksraad. The Netherlands delegation had asked the Japanese whether the leadership of Greater East Asia, mentioned in the text of the tripartite pact, was meant to comprise the Indies.

The Japanese delegation answered that the pact had in no way altered relations between Japan and the Asiatic part of the kingdom of the Netherlands (said Mr van Mook). Verbal assurances were, moreover, given that Japan does not aim at such a leadership in the Netherlands Indies.

Although the negotiations were not immediately affected by the pact, Mr van Mook has made it clear that further developments in the relations between Japan and Germany are

being closely watched. His statement concludes with a declaration on future policy in the Indies:—

## Co-operation

"It seems hardly necessary for the Government to declare explicitly that they would most emphatically reject a new order implying the authority of a foreign Power over this part of the kingdom, and they can neither appreciate nor promote a development in economic world relations leading to the inclusion of the Netherlands Indies in an Asiatic block."

"It is of vital importance for the Netherlands Indies not only that complete sovereignty be maintained in the country itself, but that friendly economic relations be promoted, without discrimination and on as large a scale as possible, with all those parts of the world which are not barred from communication with this country as a result of the war. . . . The development of our relations with our Eastern neighbours will in itself always constitute an integral part of this country's economic policy. It is only in the aforementioned sense that the Government can interpret the promotion of prosperity through co-operation with other countries; they repudiate most decidedly any form of co-operation that would imply a preferential position for the other party."

## Air Strength

THE N.I. BUDGET for the coming year provides for big arms purchases in the United States. Orders have been placed for large numbers of aircraft, including bombers, fighters, and naval flying-boats, and if deliveries are maintained at the expected level, the air forces of the Army and Navy will before the end of 1941 be nearly four times as big as they are to-day. The greatest importance, attached to air defence in view of the large area for which protection must be provided. Flying-boats carry out daily patrols throughout the archipelago, and in repulsing an attempted invasion bombers would be used to concentrate at the threatened points in sufficient strength to deal a decisive blow.

The air forces are to-day already a very potent arm, and if the expansion programme of the coming year can be achieved without interruption, the Indies will feel completely safe. The programme includes the training of pilots, air and ground crews, and the extension of the chain of air bases from Borneo to New Guinea. There are close on 100 landing grounds and flying-boat bases in the Indies, with refuelling stations far in the interior of the various islands. Some of these stations are inaccessible by land, all supplies being taken by air.

## The Army

The N.I. Army, said to number over 100,000 men, is well equipped for operations in Java and the Outer Possessions. It is not highly mechanised, but is armed with modern weapons, call will be Sourabaya.—(M.I.)

and, apart from the European units, comprises Indonesians from those races who have given proof of their fighting qualities in the various colonial wars of last century. All Hollanders and Eurasians (who are classed as Europeans) are liable for conscript service with the forces, and a proposal is now being discussed for enlisting native Militia if sufficient instructors and the necessary weapons are available. The Army, which has paid special attention to internal security measures since the invasion of the Netherlands, is responsible for coastal defence. The fortifications at all strategic points are exceptionally strong, while the naval bases at Sourabaya and Ambon are considered to be well-nigh impregnable.

## The Navy

THE NAVY, whose great regret is that the German invasion of Holland put an end to the plan for a battle fleet to be stationed in the Indies, cannot be compared with the navy of Japan, but it is a useful force for harassing an invader and protecting the trade routes, and the fighting qualities of the Dutch seamen would be more than a match for the Japanese in equal combat. In circumstances of numerical inferiority the Indies Navy must depend to a large extent on its submarine fleet (the size of which is surprising) and its destroyers. Attention is being paid to torpedo-boats, with which the Navy has been newly provided. These vessels, which are being built in large numbers at Sourabaya dockyard, are fitted with torpedo tubes and anti-aircraft guns. In favourable conditions they could do much damage to an enemy fleet, although admittedly at high cost to themselves.

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## Dutch and British

JAPANESE emphasis on the Status quo has probably been the main factor in preventing any formal Anglo-Dutch alliance in the Far East with arrangements for the joint defence of the Indies and British Malaya, but it is difficult to find anyone in the Indies who does not think that Britain and the Netherlands would stand together in the event of a challenge to either in the Far East. Although there may be no staff conversations on the spot, it cannot be overlooked that Dutch naval and military officers are in close touch with the British defence ministries in London.

British and Dutch interests appear to be identical in Malaysia, a territory from which America draws important raw materials, including rubber and tin. If equipped for operations in Java and the Outer Possessions, it is not highly mechanised, but is armed with modern weapons, call will be Sourabaya.—(M.I.)

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Oh, that's the landlord—we gave this party to break our lease and now he won't hear of it!"



## Whoopee Rebuke In Pulpit

THE British community in Calcutta has been rebuked from the pulpit of the local cathedral for spending thousands of pounds on entertainment in wartime.

Canon Boulton, their critic, appealed to the community to reconsider the ways in which they could best associate themselves with the people of the home country during its present ordeal.

The Calcutta financial paper "Capital," supported Canon Boulton. "His picture is not overdrawn," it said.

"Our people at home are going through hell, and their amazing cheerfulness and fortitude cannot disguise the physical facts of the process."

British residents have defended themselves in letters to "The Statesman."

One Briton described Canon Boulton's sermon as "an attempt to turn us into a bunch of snugs and hypocritical Dismal Jimmies and in the same time to paralyse business."

## Prisoners Of War Jazz Band

An orchestra and a jazz band are helping to enliven some British war prisoners in a camp in Germany.

Letters received by the Red Cross and St John War Organisation show that prisoners are now receiving many letters and parcels.

One officer says: "Ten thousand letters have arrived here."

Another: "New rule lets letters from home be four pages (two sheets). Please tell all. Now have good orchestra and jazz band. Dished out with vivid blue overalls: good fit and warm."

A third: "We are living like lords, thanks to the Red Cross, who send us parcels."

## H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS	
H.K. Banks	1,345 s.
H.K. Banks	73 1/2 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.)	78 1/2 n.
Chartered	85 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.E.	21 1/2 n.
Mercantile C.E.	10 1/2 n.
East Asia	70 b.

SHIPPING	
Canton	222 1/2 n.
Union	430 s.
China Underwriters	1 n.
H.K. Fire	187 n.

DOCKS ETC.	
Douglas	135 n.
Steamboats	8 1/2 n.
Indo-China P.	80 b.
Indo-China D.	80 b.
Shanghai	6 1/2 n.
Waterworks	6 1/2 n.

MINING	
Kailan	14 1/2 n.
Raub	14 1/2 n.
H.K. Mines	14 1/2 n.

LANDS	
H.K. Lands	2.90 s.
Lands 4% Debentures	97 1/2 n.
Shanghai	12 1/2 n.
Humphreys	6.80 b.
H.K. Realities	3.10 n.
Chinese Estates	.99 n.

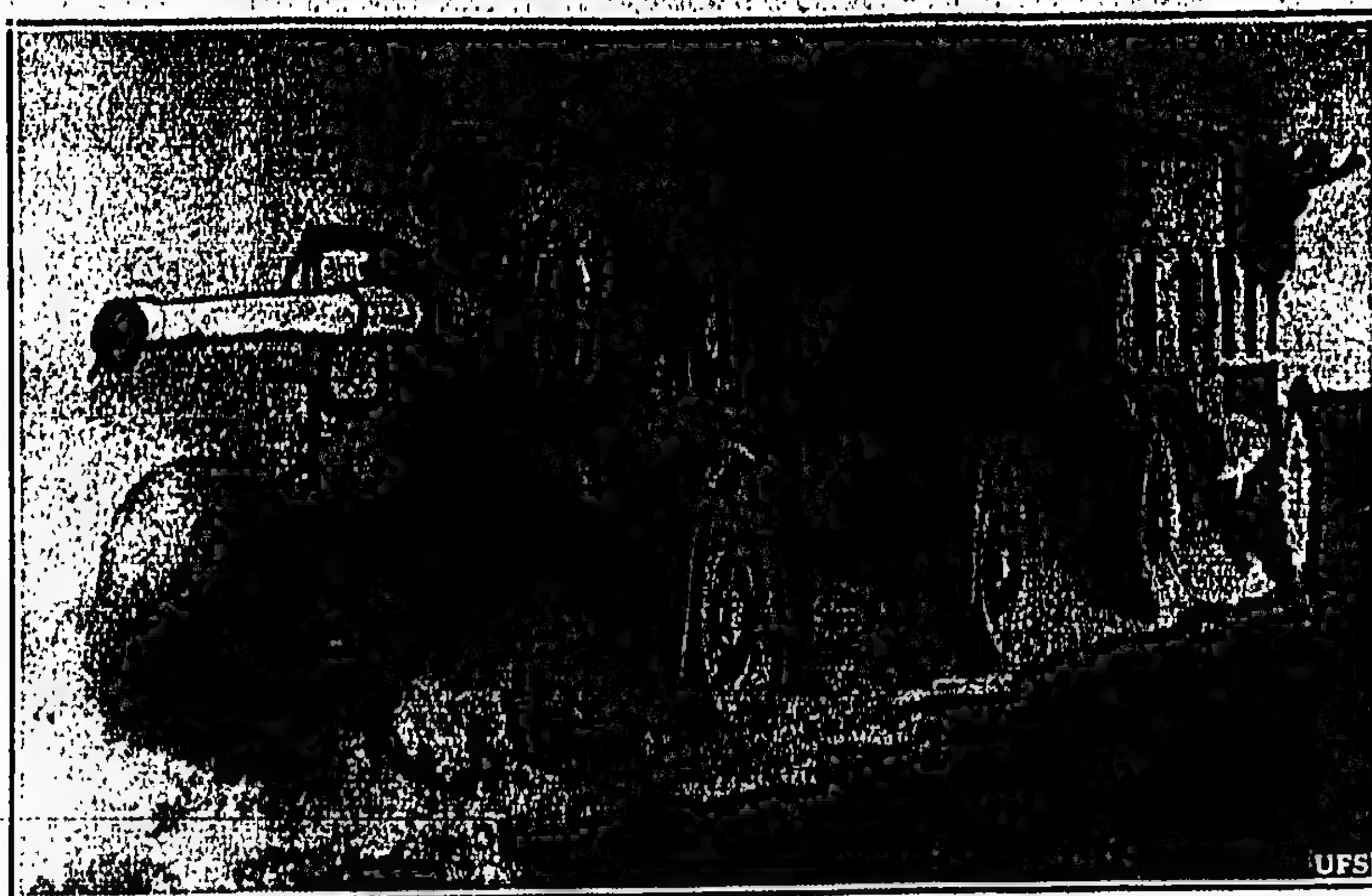
UTILITIES	
Trams	10 1/2 s.
Peaks Trams (old)	7 1/2 n.
Star Trams (new)	3 1/2 n.
Star Trams	62 n.
Y. Ferries	23 1/2 n.
China Lights (old)	6.20 n.
China Lights (new)	1.70 n.
Light Rts.	60 cts. s.
H.K. Electric (old) x rts.	20.20 n.
H.K. Electric (new)	25 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric Rts.	15 n.
Macao Electric (old)	18 n.
Macao Electric (new)	18 n.
Sandakan Lights	12 n.
Telephones (old)	23 1/2 n.
Telephones (new)	9 1/2 n.

INDUSTRIALS	
Cald. Macg. (Ord.)	Sh. \$30 n.
Cald. Macg. (Pref.)	Sh. \$25 n.
Canton Ice	1 n.
Cements	15 1/2 n.
H.K. Ropes	7 n.

STORES, &c.	
Dairy Farms	17 1/2 n.
Watsons	9 1/2 n.
Lane Crawford	7 1/2 n.
Sincere	2.15 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	30 n.
Powell Ltd.	1.00 n.

COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Sh.	42 n.
Shai Cotton Sh.	200 n.

MISC.	
H.K. Govt 4% (1934)	.97 n.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1934)	.94 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1940)	.94 n.
Ch Govt 5% 1925 GBds	.28 n.
H.K. Entertainments	.6 1/2 n.
Constructions (old)	1.00 n.
Constructions (new)	1.10 n.
Wibro Piling	7.20 n.
Maritime Inv. (Lon.)	.07 1/2 n.
Maritime Inv. (H.K.)	.2/6 n.



NEEDED AT FRONT—Cloud of desert dust rises as British anti-aircraft gun is rushed into position at Bardia, Italian stronghold in Libya captured by British on Jan. 5.

## Economist Urges Democracies To Pool Resources For Defence

WASHINGTON, Apr. 20 (UP).—Jaime A. Zuloaga, Director of Foreign Trade of Columbia, has suggested a tripartite agreement among the United States, Britain and Latin America "to unite all these interests in the pooling of their resources for military defence, resources which would be unequalled either in the economic or military field."

Writing in the monthly publication "Commercial Pan American," issued by the Pan American Union, Zuloaga describes the danger to the Americas if Britain should be defeated, and asserts that such an agreement should not be postponed.

"There will be many who will excitedly ridicule this line of conduct as a quick road to the greater extension of British and North American economic, even political, dominance in Latin America," he states.

"Like most such statements, this is foolish, since Latin America's economy is at present characterised by a manifest dependence on the machine-producing centres for the very means of production, a condition which cannot be modified within a short time."

"Immediate and collective co-operation is required of everyone, and the politico-economic transference that in this case seeks to quarrel with the economic motives, should be laid to one side."

### Victor's Control

"If the future has reserved for us a surprise in the form of a British defeat, we shall then be the mere executors of orders emanating from Moscow and perhaps Berlin," he continued.

Zuloaga expresses the belief that Latin America's attitude would be controlled by the victor of the European war.

"In case of an English victory, isolated from any intervention by Russia or Far Eastern powers, political changes in America would probably not be as serious as economic and social disturbances," he writes.

"But a triumphant Germany would impose upon the Old World the inexorable rigour of a political, social and economic tyranny, and as for the pretensions of this diabolical German genius, it is sufficient to record these words: 'We shall make of those American hybrids a continent of slaves.'"

As a result of threats to American well-being, Zuloaga continues, there has developed "a unanimous sentiment of American solidarity, culminating in the Conference of Havana, which affirmed in principle a grand alliance among the 21 republics of this economic system, with the purpose of uniting military, economic and political forces to the might lend effective support to the crusade in defence of the great principles of liberty and law, despite the fact that such determination angers that deluded one who pretends to establish himself, by every means possible, as arbiter in a world opposed to every act of violence accompanied by injustice."

### South American Economy

Examining the economy of the American republics, Zuloaga finds that the Latin American republics had in 1938 an "apparent" excess of exports over imports of \$345,000,000. This is only apparent, however, because of the low value of raw materials exported in relation to the labour expended for their extraction and because of the large outflow of profits on foreign investments.

"Foreign investments in Latin America by 1932 amounted to \$10,295,000,000," he states. "If we accept the hypothesis that about ten percent is required for amortisation and interest in the case of loans, and profits in the case of direct investments, the annual outflow from South and Central America on this account would be \$1,029,000,000, in which case the positive balance of trade would become a negative balance of \$684,000,000, without taking into consideration receipts from tourists and travellers."

### Britain And U.S.

Zuloaga contends that the economies of Britain and the United States are to a large extent complementary. For example, Britain is the least self-sufficient nation among the greater powers in

foodstuffs, producing only 25 percent of her needs.

The United States, on the other hand, has the greatest degree of self-sufficiency, with a percentage of 204 percent.

Zuloaga contends that both Britain and the United States are to some degree losing their markets for manufactured goods.

"Latin America, on the other hand, sees its centres of supply for manufactured products, as well as its markets for pastoral and agricultural products, being reduced."

This, in the writer's opinion, is one of the compelling reasons for such an agreement as he suggests.

Following were the results of the football matches played yesterday:

War Cup (Fourth round): Arsenal 1, Leicester City 0; Preston 2, Newcastle 0; London Cup: Chelsea 4, Fulham 3; Queen's Park Rangers 2, Crystal Palace 1; "Claret" West Ham 3, Reading 2; Tottenham 2.
Football League (South): Brighton 3, Southampton 1; Watford 2, Walsley 1; Bournemouth 2, South Regional League: Brentford 3, Millwall 2; Watford 1, Mansfield 1; West Bromwich 2, Northampton 2.
Football League (North): Barnsley 3, Middlesbrough 2; Blackpool 2, Huddersfield 1; Chesterfield 1, Everton 1; Crewe 2, New Brighton 3; Grimsby 3, Rochester 1; Lincoln City 0, Bradford 2; Manchester City 3, Wrexham 0; Rochdale 1, Bolton 3; Southport 2, Tranmere 2.
Regional North: Sheffield Wednesday 1, Notts Forest 1.
Lancashire Cup (semi-final): Chester 4, Manchester United 2, after extra time.
Scottish Cup (semi-final): Celtic 0, Hearts 2; Rangers 4, St Mirren 1.
Scottish League: Celtic 3, Greenock Morton 3.
Other Matches: Football League 9, All British 7; British Army XI 1, Scottish League 2; Aldershot 3, Army VI 0; West Regional League XI City 2, Abercorn 0; Cardiff Corinthians 0, Bristol City 2; Lovell's Athletic 2, Cardiff City 1.

—Reuter.

## Home Football And Rugby Results

London, Apr. 20. Results of the Rugby matches played yesterday were:

League Cup (second round): Batley 5, Hull 6; Bradford Northern 25, Swinton 0; Castleford 21, St. Helen's 33; Dewsbury 7, Leeds 6; Huddersfield 6, Bramley 7; Hunslet 64, Liverpool Stanley 0; Wakefield Trinity 22, Wigan 0; York 0, Halifax 12.
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—Reuter.

## Vichy Plans Rail Line Across Sahara Desert

Admiral Platon, Vichy's Secretary of State for the Colonies, and Jean Berthelot, Secretary for Colonization, were scheduled recently to leave for Morocco to supervise planning of the new trans-Sahara railway, extending from the Mediterranean to the Niger and hooking up with the existing railroad to Dakar.

Development by the railroad was made necessary by reason of the British blockade, which has proved the value of the inland line connecting the rich African empire pool of foodstuffs and the mainland, says a United Press message.

The railroad will be of a normal, full-gauge able to handle trains up to 1,100 tons. It will skirt the great Sahara dunes as to avoid the danger from winds and shifting sands. It will be laid out on the great stony plateau which is comparatively sheltered.

## Japanese Cannot Scrap Iron

A \$64,000 cargo of scrap iron, loaded for shipment to Japan in 1937 and stranded in San Francisco Bay since, will go for U.S. national defence.

It is the cargo of the Kwang Yuen, freighter which has seen ship fights, mutiny, seizure and several new owners in recent years.

The Chinese Consul-General refused to allow the vessel clearance in 1937, asserting it had been seized from China and was being reclaimed under war conditions.

The Federal Court ruled the ship was properly in Chinese custody, though the cargo certainly belonged to Japan, which had paid for it. The Japanese had little benefit of the ruling, however, for they could not touch the ship to move it to a pier for unloading, and to unload at anchor was not considered feasible.

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Vessel Sold

The United States Supreme Court declined to review the decision. The ship recently was sold by the Chinese to the Carpenter line.

The cargo is to be unloaded in the port of the Bethlehem Steel Company, presumably under a settlement with the Japanese.

## Milk Punch Suited Mr Wilkie

A case of milk punch made in Dover from a secret recipe has been sent to Mr Wendell Wilkie. When Mr Wilkie was lunching with an Admiral during his visit to Dover, he sampled the punch, drank three glasses and then asked where he could get a supply.

Before leaving England he sent a large cheque to a Dover wine merchant who makes the punch. Part of the money covers the cost of the punch, but the balance, a much bigger sum, goes to Dover war charities.

The punch Mr Wilkie found so good is made from a recipe supplied many years ago by an officer who had lived in India. It can no longer be made owing to the shortage of lemons and the high cost of spirits. All the stocks in existence were put down before the war.

## RICKETS ADVICE Specially Written For H.K.

An interesting and informative article on the subject of "Rickets" has been written by Dr T. Y. Li at the request of the Nutrition Research Committee. Dr Li deals with the subject in six phases. He tells what the disease is and discusses its symptoms, causes and dangers, its prevention and treatment, as follows:

**What is Rickets?**  
Rickets is a chronic disease due to bad nutrition and incorrect mode of living, its most apparent and easily detectable symptom being the softening of the bony structure. Because of the weakness of bones, deformities usually result after birth. Its pathology is rather complicated. The disease affects the muscles, ligaments, mucous membrane, internal organs and the nervous system, and should not be regarded as merely one of the diseases of bones. The reason of its being regarded as a disease of soft bones is because its most apparent symptom is in the bones.

Rickets may be divided into mild and severe cases. A mild case usually shows no apparent symptoms and is not easily recognised by the common people. After some time it becomes severe and the bones of the different parts of the body show marked changes which can then be recognised by sight.

(a) Mild Rickets.—The patient is usually six to eighteen months old. At first the face is pale. There is a lot of sweating of the head, especially during sleep. The patient is restless at night with cough and plenty of phlegm and is easily attacked by colds.

(b) Severe Rickets.—If a mild case does not receive appropriate treatment at its commencement, the symptoms gradually become more marked. In addition to those just described, the patient may develop convulsions or spasms of the throat. The bony changes become more marked. The bones of the head become irregular and the chest bones drawn in; the spine shows changes until the patient develops a hump-back; and the bones of the lower limbs become bow-shaped. The muscles become weak and flaccid and the child's ability to stand and walk is much delayed as compared with a normal child. Owing to the weakness of the muscles of the abdomen, stomach and intestine, digestion is poor and the abdomen becomes distended (this is easily mistaken by lay people for ascites or worms). Teething is delayed and the child is anemic.

**Causes of Rickets**  
The causes are (a) Lack of Vitamin D in the food; (b) Lack of sunlight.

The children who are most liable to this disease are usually bottle-fed or breast-fed for unduly long period (for example up to 1 or 1 1/2 years).

Most condensed milk or milk powder is deficient in Vitamin D. Likewise, when a mother's milk is being used for too long a period, its nutritive value, including Vitamin D, is not sufficient to meet the needs of an older child. Both can lead to a deficiency of Vitamin D in the child, and if the house where the child lives is dark and so the child is not sufficiently exposed to sunlight, he can easily become a victim of rickets. As a result of investigation by most doctors, we find that Vitamin D has an anti-Rickets value and so has sun-light, because sun-light can produce Vitamin D in the skin.

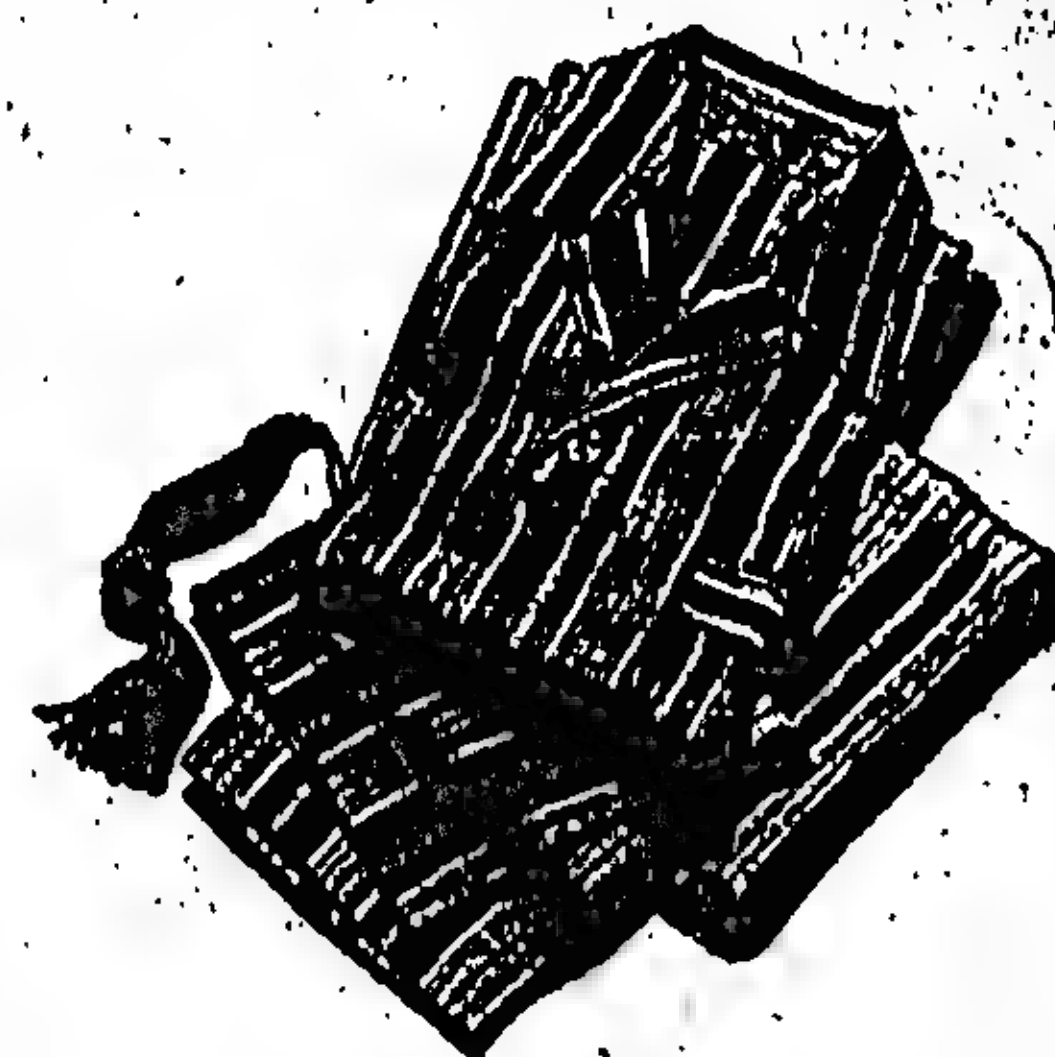
**Dangers of Rickets.**—Although Rickets will not cause death directly (unlike Cholera and Consumption), it can affect the development of the different parts of the child's body, and therefore affect his future health. As the child is already weak, it is dangerous and even easily fatal if the child suffers from an acute disease such as Bronchitis or Pneumonia and so it kills the child indirectly. While an acute disease has a rapid onset and so easily attracts one's attention, a chronic disease develops symptoms gradually and is thus easily overlooked but its danger lies in the permanence of its future damage, notably the bone deformity which may persist in one's life time. So we would pay more attention to this.

**Prevention and Treatment**  
Having described its cause, prevention must be directed towards the removal of its causes. Thus, proper nutrition and correct way of living of the child should be attended to. For the sake of convenience we describe its prevention as follows:

(a) The child should be fed on mother's milk and unless it is absolutely unavoidable, the child should not be bottle-fed.  
(b) Breast feeding should be limited to eight or nine months only. After six months, other foods rich in Vitamin D should be gradually added (e.g., yolk of egg, and cod liver oil).  
(c) The child should be frequently exposed to sunshine.  
(d) If a child cannot be breast-fed on account of mother's sickness or other unavoidable reasons, cod liver oil should be given to such a child from three months onwards. If, unfortunately, a child suffers from rickets or shows preliminary signs of Rickets, (e.g., restlessness at night, night sweating, plenty of phlegm, tendency to coughs and anaemia, etc.), medical treatment should at once be sought. The parents should not delay until the bones show changes.

**Treatment**  
(a) Give adequate doses of cod liver oil.  
(b) Sunbath.  
(c) Ultra-violet ray in case sunlight is lacking. (This should be done by doctors only).  
(d) For those who have already shown bony changes, treatment by exercises or postural correction would be advised by doctors, and if such deformities had been present for a long time, operation may be

## NEW PYJAMAS

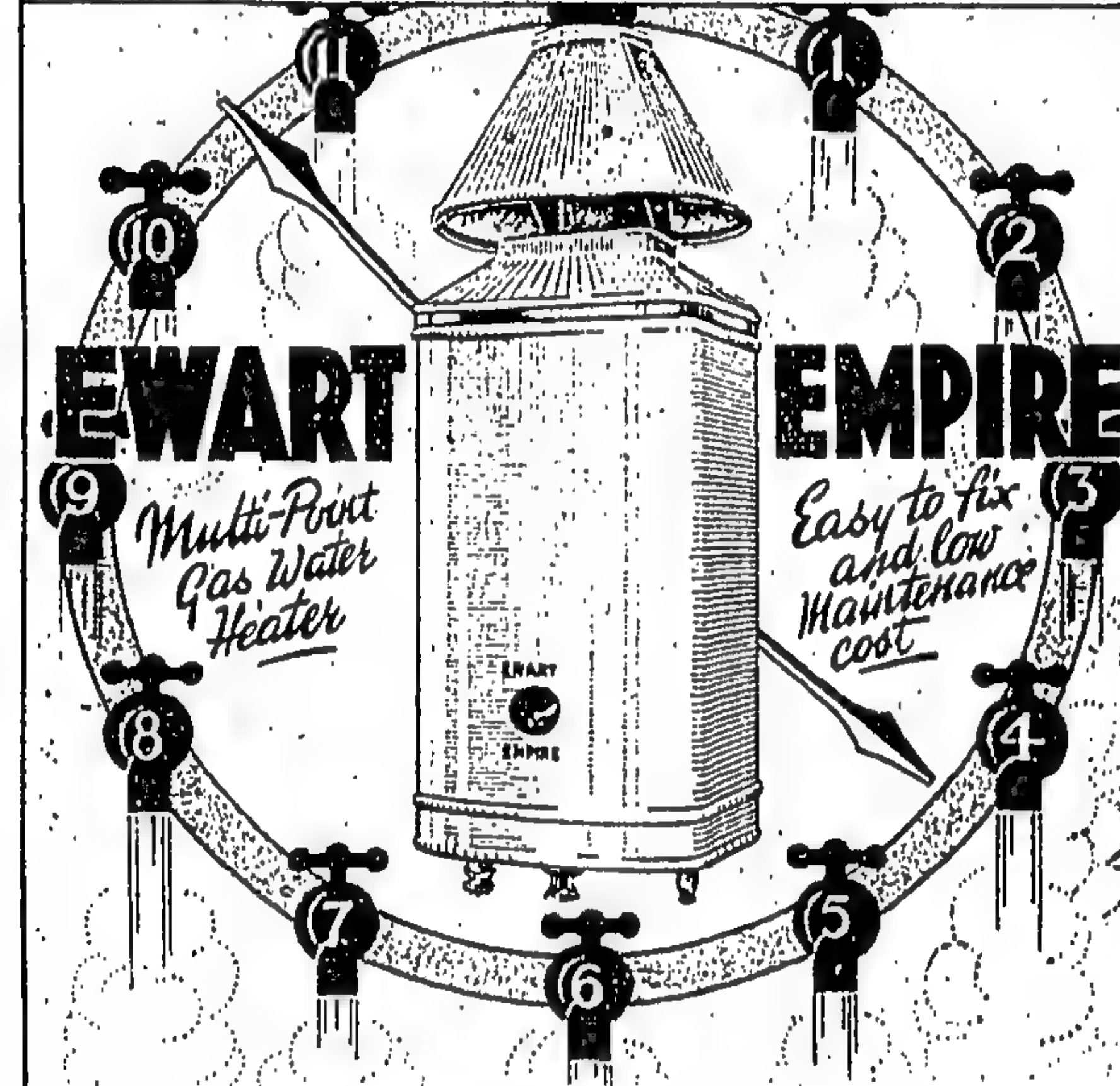


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## Princess Elizabeth Congratulations

To-day is the fifteenth birthday of H.R.H. Princess Elizabeth, and the following message has been sent by His Excellency the Governor to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on behalf of the Colony of Hongkong.

"Request that you will convey to Her Royal Highness Princess Elizabeth on the occasion of her birthday the good wishes and loyal and hearty congratulations of all sections of the community in Hongkong."

necessary. Before the bones are calcified, the child should not be allowed to walk or sit with folded legs, to prevent further deformities.

is there Rickets in Hongkong?—People usually think that Hongkong is near the tropical region and has plenty of sunlight and therefore there are no cases of Rickets. This is wrong. Although Hongkong has more sunlight than the temperate region, parents usually do not realise the advantages of sunlight and dare not expose their children to sunshine. Poor people live in small crowded houses and are unable to make use of the sunlight. Further, on account of economic reasons the nutrition of mothers is deficient and therefore lack the different vitamins and hence their milk is deficient in nutritive value. Again some mothers have to go out and work or may think that condensed milk or milk powder is preferable to breast milk and therefore give up breast-feeding. At the same time they do not understand that bottle-fed children should have cod liver oil added to their food. For various reasons, Rickets in Hongkong is not uncommon. Fortunately, owing to sufficient sunlight here which can be a compensation to a certain degree, most cases are not severe, but this can not be regarded as satisfactory. For instance, during the Spring, there are plenty of cases of Bronchitis and Pneumonia in children in this Colony, some of which recover but others die. These cases seem to have a close relationship with Rickets.

## MADCHEN IN A.T.S. UNIFORM

Four German girls were among the first to enlist in the Auxiliary Territorial Service.

As three have relatives in Germany the authorities suppressed their surnames and referred to them as Adela, Antoni, Use and Elli.

An A.T.S. officer said: "Hundreds of alien women have applied to join the A.T.S. All are drawn from C class aliens, i.e., non-internees. The applications are given a thorough scrutiny."

"Enemy aliens are not allowed to do work of a confidential nature, but all these girls wish to serve in any capacity so long as they can do Hitler as much harm as possible, and our service covers all sorts of jobs."

### Would Shoot German

Adela, graduate of a German university, was a director of a firm in Germany until five years ago. She has been working in Britain as a clerk.

"I don't know what I will have to do in the A.T.S., but if they put a rifle in my hand and I saw a German I would certainly use it against him," she said.

## Deanna Durbin Married

Hollywood, Apr. 19.  
Deanna Durbin last night brought to a climax her transformation from a child star in the movies to womanhood by becoming the bride of quiet Vaughn N. Paul, assistant director of her first picture.

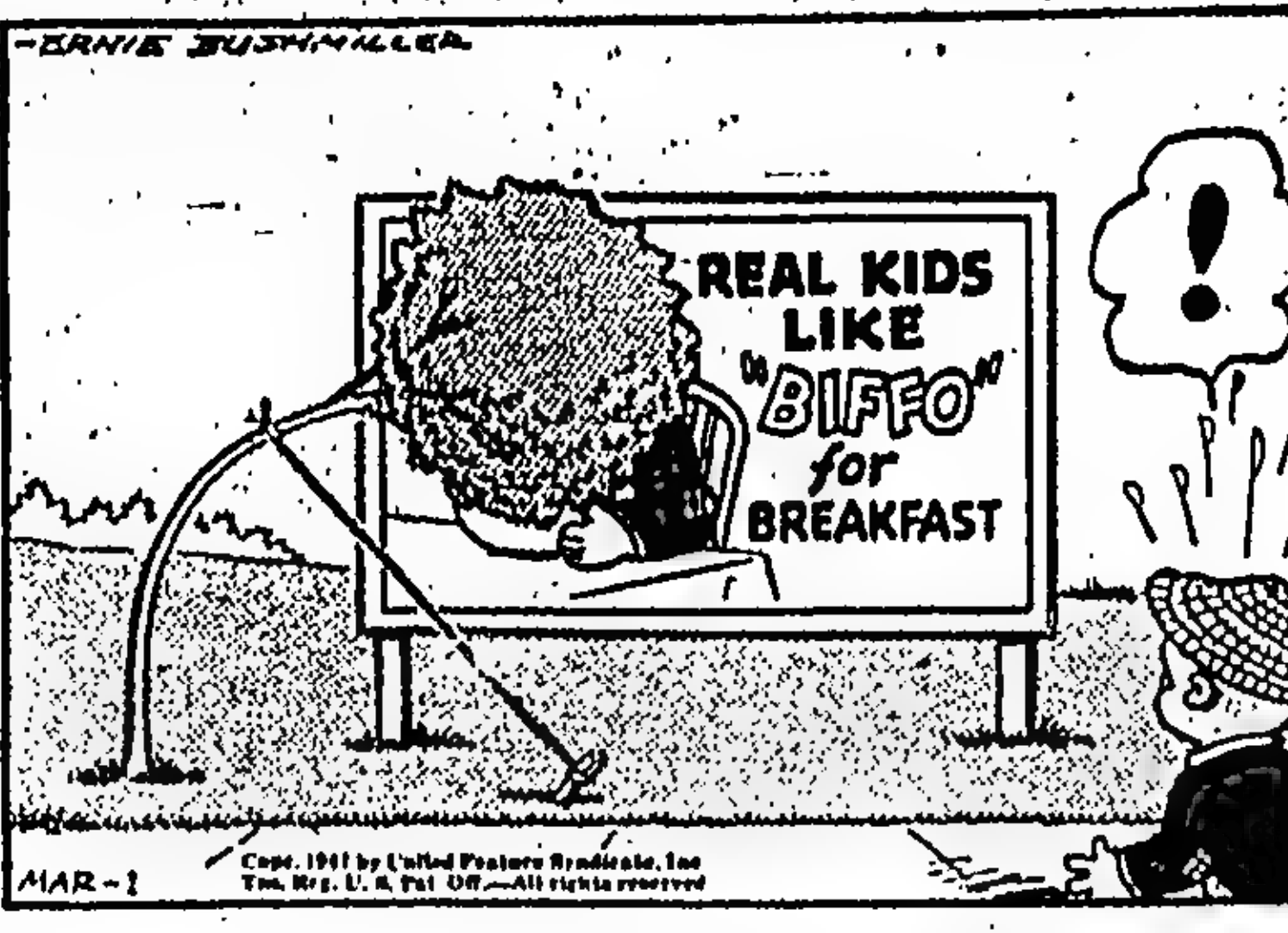
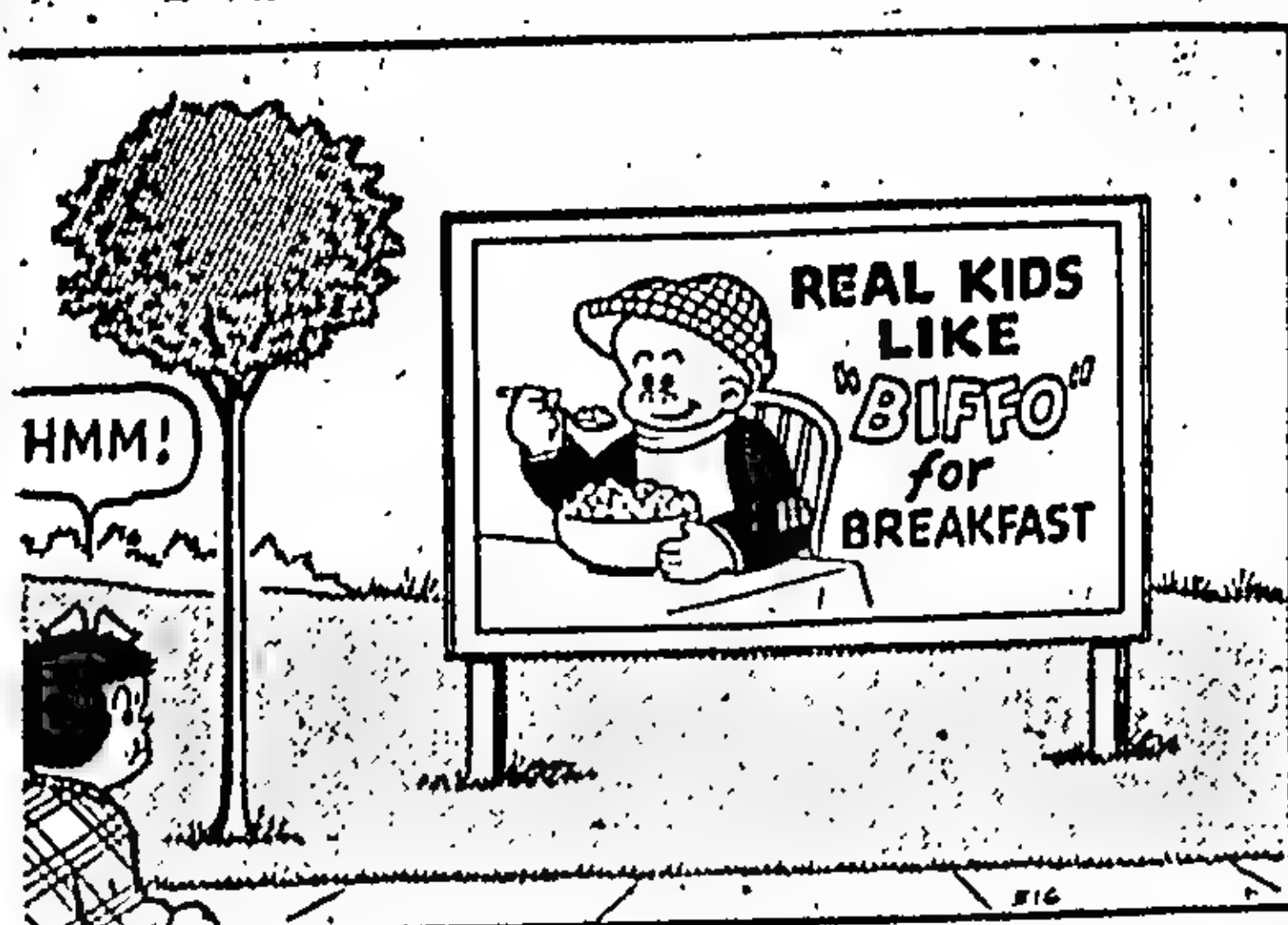
The ceremony was as formal and true to tradition as Deanna and her family could make it, with the bride wearing an old-fashioned ivory satin gown with sweeping train and lace.



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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Interruption.

12.30 Jay Wilbur and His Band.

1.0 Local Time Signal.

1.01 The Orchestra Mascotte with Yvonne Printemps (Soprano).

From Near and Far—Waltz Melodies, Orchestra Mascotte, The Three Waltzes (Oscar Straus), "C'est la Saison d'Amour," Yvonne Printemps (Soprano), "Je Souviens-Moi."

Yvonne Printemps with Pierre Fresney and Orchestra, Valse Blue (Margis), Tesoro Mio—Waltz (Becucci), Orchestra Mascotte, The Three Waltzes (Oscar Straus), "Je ne suis pas ce que l'on pense," Yvonne Printemps with Pierre Fresney & Orch., Lovely to Kiss—Waltz (Dicker), Dance of the Fairies—Waltz (Rosenhul), Orchestra Mascotte.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Variety.

Vocal with Orch.—The Lambeth Walk (from Me and My Girl), Lupino Lane with Freddie St. Denis and Company, Piano—Fox-Trot Medley, Intro: Take My Heart; Empty Saddles: It is True What They Say About Dixie, Waltz Medley, Intro: It's a Sin to Tell a Lie; Would You? Sweetheart, Let's Grow Old Together, Burton Brown, Vocal—Let's Call the Whole Thing Off, They Can't Take That Away from Me (both from "Shall We Dance" and Hildegarde with Pierre Gibbons and his Orchestra, Piano—An Evening With You (film "Colleen") (Dublin Warren), Gerry Moore, Humorous—What The Stars Foretell (Thomson), Sandy Powell, C. B. Cochran Medley, Compere C. B. Cochran assisted by Elisabeth Welch, Edward Cooper and Ray Noble and His Orch.

2.15 Close.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 A Debussy Programme.

The Children's Corner Suite, (a) Dr. Gradus ad Parnassum; (b) The Snow is Dancing; (c) Serenade for the Doll; (d) Jumbo's Lullaby; (e) The Little Shepherd; (f) Golliwog's Cakewalk; (g) Water-Cleaving (Piano); (h) Fille aux Cheveux de Fer; (i) Menuhin (Violin); (j) "Dance"—(a) Dance Sacree; (b) Dance Profane, Leopold Stokovsky and the Philadelphia Orchestra.

7.0 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Talk: "Working Together."

7.30 Mendelssohn—Trio in D minor, Op. 49, Coriol, Thibaud and Casals.

8.0 Local Time Signal.

8.02 This week's programmes.

8.05 Piano Duets by Moreton and Kaye.

Dinah: After You've Gone; Nobody's Sweetheart, Tin Pan Alley Medley—No. 21, Intro: An Apple for the Teacher; They Can't Black Out the Moon; We'll Meet Again; I'll Remember; A Man and His Dreams; Goodnight Children Everywhere.

8.15 London Relay—"Hi, Gang!"

9.0 London Relay—The News.

9.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

9.30 A Light Orchestra Programme with Hubert Elsdell (Tenor).

International Railroad Express, Polka Frieda, Jakov Serebroff's Russian Orchestra, Two Tired Old Eyes (Kenyon & Squire), Because I Miss You so, (Clanville & Coates), Hubert Elsdell (Tenor), Novellette—Serenade (Hensell), Frederic Hippmann and his Orch., Evensong (Martin), New Symphony Orchestra cond. by George Walter, Thinkin' of Mary (Ashby & T. C. Stendale Bennett), Always As I Close My Eyes (Handfield-Jones & Coates), Hubert Elsdell (Tenor), Solemn Melody (Walford Davies), New Symphony Orchestra cond. by George Walter.

9.45 News in French (on Short Wave only).

10.0 London Relay—"News from Home" by Howard Marshall.

10.15 Dance Music with Variety.

11.0 Close Down.

# CONCERT

## School Orchestra Plays To Crowded House

Under the auspices of the South China Women's Temperance Union, a concert of classical music was given by the orchestra of the Pui Ching Middle School, formerly of Canton and now of Macao, at the St. Paul's Girls School Hall, Kennedy Road, on Saturday, and was well attended. The proceeds from the sale of tickets are to be donated to aid refugees in China.

# By Ernie Bushmiller

# Exchange At A Glance

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U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
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# Greek King To Lead His People

## Issues Proclamation

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—"Remain united and steadfast and carry on the fight for the country's honour and independence; we must defend the nation to the very end."

This call to the Greek people was made to-day by King George of the Hellenes in a proclamation broadcast by the Athens radio to-night.

The proclamation reads: "Hellenes: After the untoward death of Alexander Korizis, who gave all his strength to the great struggle which has been imposed on the nation by two powerful empires, and in view of the critical moments through which the country is now passing, we have decided ourselves personally to direct the business of the Cabinet for the time being.

"A new government has been formed and sworn in, and we appeal to the Greek people and to all who are fighting at the front as well as to all who are contributing to our war effort behind the lines to remain united and steadfast and carry on the fight for the country's honour and independence.

## High Duty

"We must defend the nation to the very end. This duty is imposed upon us not only by the high traditions of our history and the reverence due to our brave dead, but also by the fact that in guarding the rights we have acquired by our victories and sacrifices, we shall fully secure our national rights in the hour of final victory.

"We, therefore, call upon you, Hellenes, to stand calm, determined, united and disciplined at our side in the unflinching performance of our supreme duty to the country. "May we go and save Greece."

# MALTA RAID

## Some Damage To Civilian Property: Few Casualties

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—The enemy attacked Malta during the night of April 18, causing some damage to civilian property, but few civilian casualties.

One Junkers was shot down into the sea. From all operations, one of our fighters is missing.

## Three Fighters Down

MALTA, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—A small formation of Italian Savoia bombers, escorted by Italian Fiat biplane fighters and Messerschmitts, flew over Malta this morning. Bombs were dropped in the sea and the anti-aircraft defences were heavily engaged.

British fighters shot down three Fiat fighters into the sea and damaged a fourth which is unlikely to have reached its destination, states an official communique.

All British fighters landed unscathed and there were no casualties.

The ninth anniversary dinner of the Hongkong Y's Men's Club will be held at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden on Thursday, May 8.

# Building Land Serious Shortage In Urban Areas

Crown Land available for sale in urban districts is becoming so scarce that Government has decided to insist on more intensive development in regard to land required for factory development, said the Director of Public Works, the Hon. Mr. A. B. Purves in an interview on Saturday.

In effect this means that in future higher Building Covenants will be stipulated in the Conditions of Sale of land intended for factory development.

At present many factories consist of one storey buildings and often a large portion of the lot is retained as an open yard. It is recognized that one storey factories requiring considerable yard space must still be catered for, but the intention now is that such concerns must go farther afield where land is more plentiful and cheaper.

## LAND RESUMPTIONS

An unusually large number of land resumption notices appeared in Saturday's Gazette, applying to areas near Kowloon City. The Director of Public Works explained that these low lying agricultural lots are being resumed for the purpose of Town Planning development and form only a portion of a comprehensive Scheme.

# STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued Saturday, says: A very quiet morning.

## Buyers

Bank of East Asia \$70  
Union Ins. \$425  
Indo-China (Pref) \$80  
Wharves \$85.50  
Humphreys \$6.80  
Trams \$16  
Lights "O" \$6  
Lights Rts. \$50 cts  
Entertainments \$6.25

## Sellers

H.K. Bankers \$1,345  
Union Ins. \$430  
Trams \$10.25  
Lights "O" \$6.20  
Sales  
Hotels \$2.00



U.S. TANKS IN CANADA—Here are some of the 200 tanks which the U.S. Government recently turned over to Canada for training purposes. They are given a work-out in winter manoeuvres at Camp Borden, Ontario, where the Tank Corps is in training.

# Three Fleets For U.S. Navy Mean Flexibility Of Action

By Otto Janssen

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, April 19 (UP).—The recent reorganization of the United States fleet into three distinct forces has improved this country's capacity to meet quickly and forcefully any threat to American security in the Atlantic, Pacific or Far East, naval quarters here assert.

Under a recent executive order of President Roosevelt's, three fleets were created under separate commanders-in-chief. Admiral Thomas C. Hart commands the Asiatic Fleet; Admiral Ernest J. King, the Atlantic Fleet and Admiral Edward Kimmel, the Pacific Fleet. Kimmel is also commander-in-chief of the United States fleet, comprising all these forces.

Prior to the reorganization order, America's fighting forces abroad consisted of the Pacific Fleet, the Asiatic Fleet and the Patrol Force in the Atlantic.

The reorganization not only gives the Atlantic Force a full fleet status, but provides greater flexibility in organization to all these forces.

## Bulk Of Strength

The great bulk of the naval strength still resides in the Pacific Fleet, based at Hawaii. However, the Atlantic fleet will be substantially augmented as the naval programme gains momentum, and some new units are expected to be added to the Asiatic force.

The commanders-in-chief are regarded as being well qualified for their positions in these increasingly critical days. Among them, they have seen service in two major wars and a series of campaigns.

## Kimmel's Service

Kimmel, who once served as President Roosevelt's aide when the latter was Assistant Secretary of the Navy, is a veteran of the Great War and the Mexican campaign. In the Great War he served as executive officer aboard the U.S.S. Arkansas operating with the British Grand Fleet.

After hostilities ended, he was captain of the Yard at the Cavite Naval Station in the Philippines, and later commanded a destroyer division of the Asiatic Fleet. He has also seen considerable service in the Navy Department here.

## Admiral King

Admiral King saw his first war service during the hostilities with Spain. At that time he served aboard the U.S.S. San Francisco, engaged in patrol duty off Atlantic Coast.

During the Great War, King was assistant chief of the staff of Admiral Henry T. Mayo, commander-in-chief of the United States fleet. He received the Navy Cross for his services.

In 1925, when King was in command of the submarine base at New London, Connecticut, the submarine S-51 was sunk off Block Island. King was placed in charge of salvage operations and won the Distinguished Service Medal for his efficient work. King is a qualified naval aviator and has served as commander of flying units.

The new commander-in-chief of the Atlantic fleet was given command of the patrol force of the United States Fleet in December, 1940. The patrol force was the forerunner of the Atlantic fleet.

Among King's various awards are the Spanish Campaign Medal, the Mexican Service Medal and the decoration of the Grande Oficial, Order of the Crown of Italy.

## Far Eastern Chief

Admiral Hart also has served in the Spanish-American War and the

# Goldilocks Goes Back To Momma

ONCE upon a time there lived in Marietta, Oklahoma, a thirty-three-year-old farmer named Ivan Heidrich, who was called Goldilocks because his Momma never allowed him to cut his curly hair which reached to his shoulders.

One morning Goldilocks received a letter saying he was conscripted into the American Army and must report.

Kissing Goldilocks good-bye, Momma said: "You can only stay in the Army if the officers let you keep your long curls."

Proved He Wasn't

So Goldilocks promised Momma that no one should cut his curls, and he went to the Army headquarters. When rude soldiers saw ringlets bobbing on Goldilocks's shoulders they shouted "Sissy," so Goldilocks swung his fists to prove that he wasn't.

Then Goldilocks told the officers: "I'll be a good soldier on condition that you don't cut my hair. Momma always admired my curls, so I am danged if I'll lose 'em now."

## Officers In Huddle

Greatly worried, the officers went into conference. We cannot break his momma's heart," said one. "You remember what happened to Samson?" said another. "We can't have a soldier with ringlets," said another. They announced that Goldilocks need not enter the Army after all. "You will be more valuable as a farmer," they told him.

So Goldilocks returned to his farm and momma to live happily ever after.

# Bible Printers Suffer Damage in Air Blitz

LONDON, April 20 (UP).—The Authorized Version of the Bible may have to be completely reset if the printing plates, buried beneath tons of debris at the bombed printing works of Eyre and Spottiswoode, the King's printers, cannot be recovered intact.

If the plates are unfit for use, it will mean the resetting of no less than 8,555,480 letters, involving 778,692 words contained in the 31,173 verses and 1,189 chapters of the Bible.

"As the King's printers, we alone have right to print the Authorized Version," said a director.

"The Revised Version and translations of the Bible into other languages are done by other houses."

"We are hoping we shall find some of the plates undamaged, but they may have been melted by fire. If they are gone we shall have to reset every word. The printing of the Bible will go on."

"Many printed sheets have been destroyed but fortunately only a short time before the fire we removed a large number to the country."

Eyre and Spottiswoode also print documents for the House of Commons and the House of Lords. Special arrangements are being made to continue this work.

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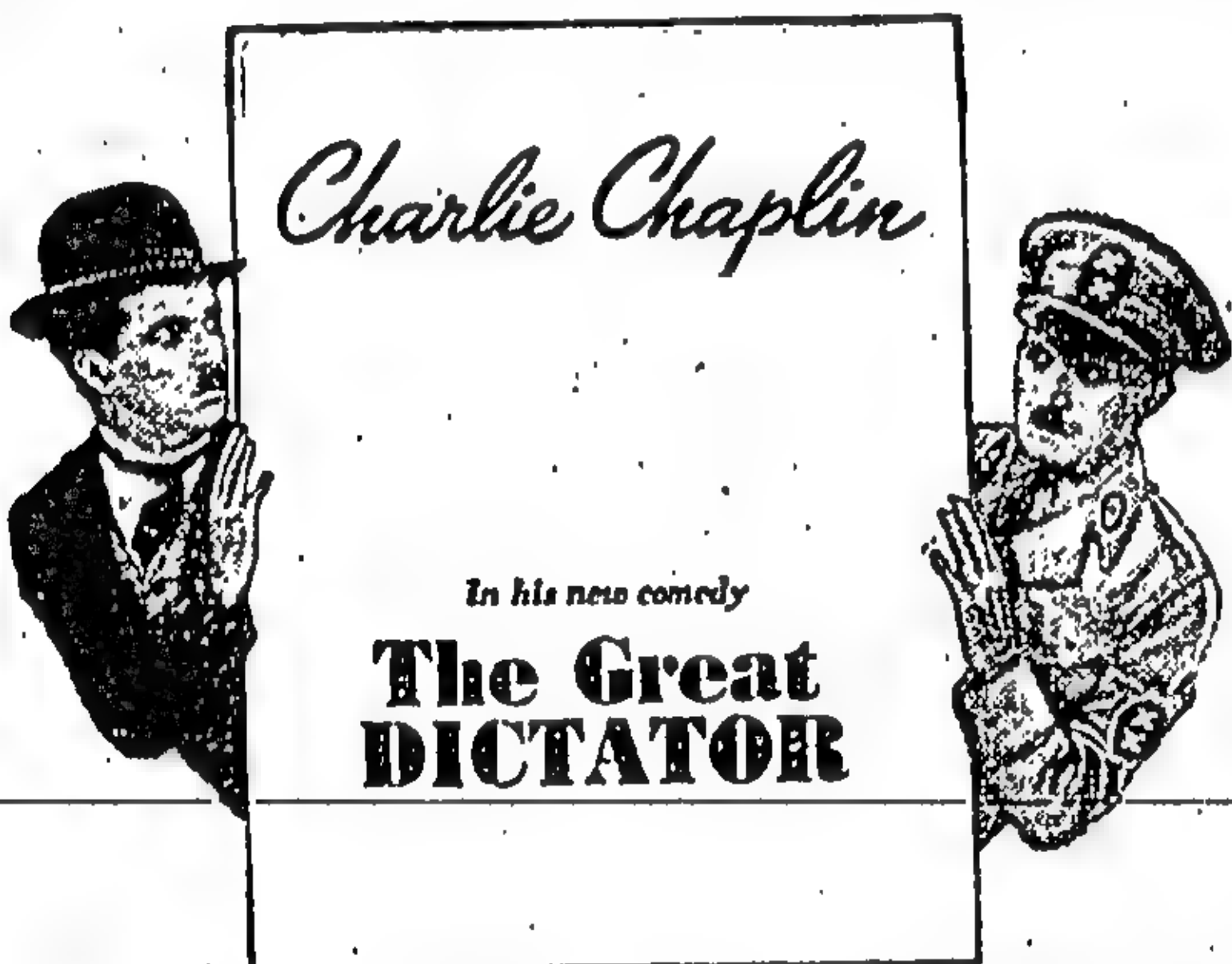
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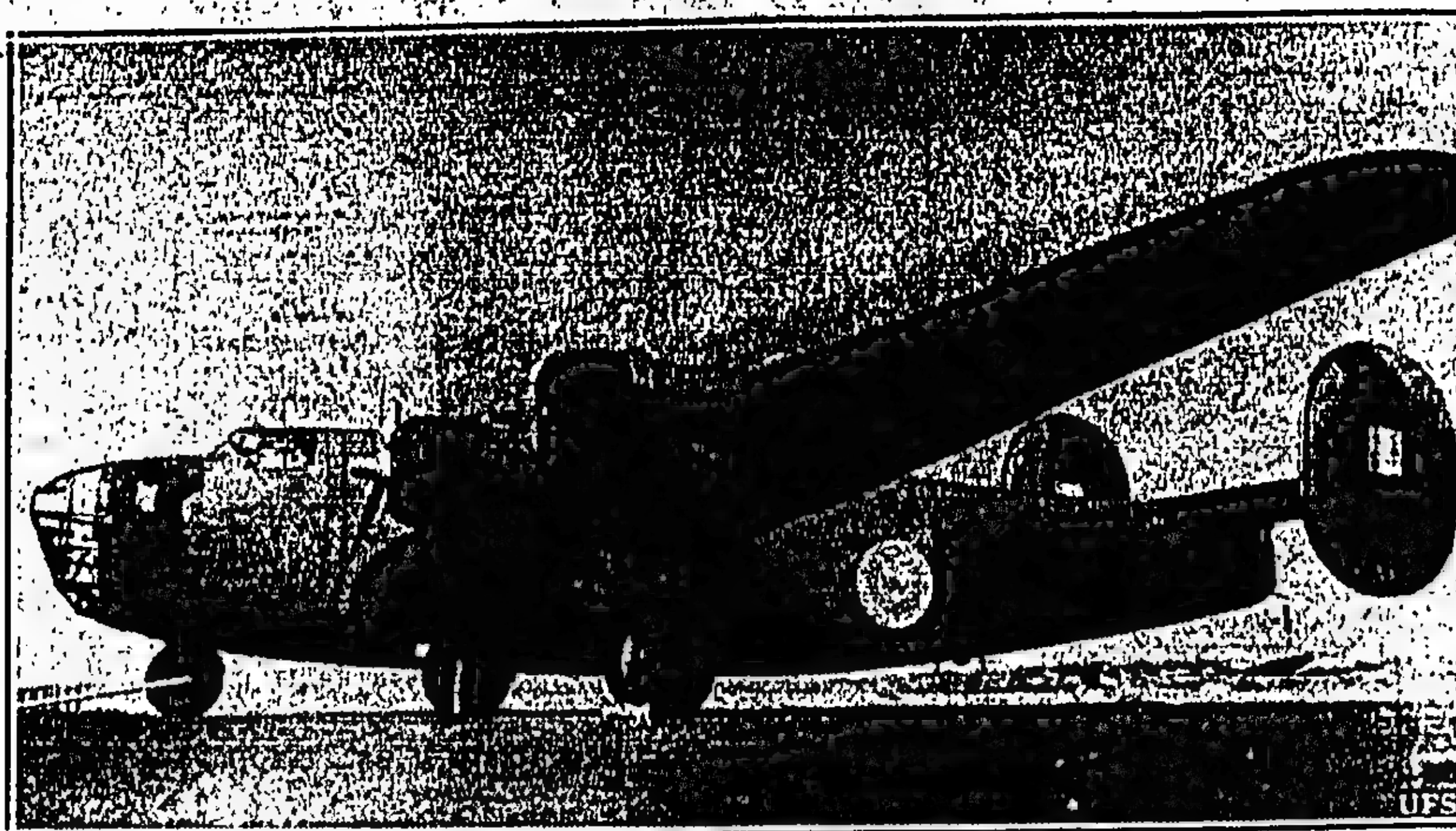
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### BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC

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teeling our convoys and hunting German pirates.

**Off Libyan Coast**  
Continuing, Mr. Alexander said: "I see that to-day the Navy is criticised for not having prevented Italian and German reinforcements reaching Libya. But remember that the decision having been taken to support Greece—which surely its honour we were bound to do—we had to perform the great task of transporting very large numbers of troops and equipment which was safely done, thanks to the Royal Navy."

"We had at the same time to maintain supplies to the garrisons in Libya. In spite of all that has been said about enemy reinforcements, we have destroyed Italian transports running into a tonnage of six figures."

**No Apology**  
"I do not think that the Government has any need to apologise for its decision to go to the aid of Greece or the Navy to apologise for its work."

R.A.F. bomber pilots, he said, were striking back and striking hard, and it was evident from the complaints over the German wireless after the raids on Berlin, Kiel and Bremen that the Germans did not like it.

Mr. Alexander concluded: "We must go on with that until we win." Navy has kept the life-line open," Mr. Alexander said.

**Conservative Estimates**  
He continued: "We published the other day that we had many hundreds of U-boat prisoners, but many more of the U-boat personnel lie at the bottom of the ocean. I can assure you that reports to the Admiralty of our anti-submarine captains are nearly always on the conservative side."

Speaking of the ten Const Guard cutters America had sent to British, the First Lord said: "Believe me, they are some ships. Most of them are a little bit bigger than destroyers. They were built to stop the ships of bootleggers and I think they will be even more usefully employed in the present."

**Princess Focussed Bomb Sights**  
Princess Elizabeth recently sat at the controls of a Hudson aircraft at the R.A.F. coastal command, while Princess Margaret, lying down flat, focussed the bomb sights on an imaginary target.

The sisters had climbed excitedly aboard, watched by the King and Queen.

It was the Princesses' first visit to an R.A.F. station in war-time. At the station the King decorated 18 R.A.F. officers and men for gallantry in face of the enemy.

**Communal Rioting In India Costs Lives**

**AHMEDABAD, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—**One person was killed and four were wounded when the police opened fire for the second time on a rioting mob to-day.

More than 400 persons have been taken into custody. The latest casualties in communal rioting which broke out on Friday are 50 killed and 304 wounded.

### LATE NEWS

### Be Generous In Battle

Pope Appeals To The Belligerents

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
**VATICAN CITY, Apr. 20 (UP).—**Giving audience to 1,000 university students and professional men this morning, Pope Pius appealed to the belligerents to be generous towards the enemy.

The Pope said: "Humility and charity do not diminish patriotism or bravery. The citizen, in a just war, fights for the defence of his honour or his country, or to impede the citizen fighting with all his strength against the arms of the enemy. But charity prohibits combatants from attacking the innocent or punishing the enemy beyond the limits of justice. The world does not need pride in violence but instead needs loyalty and love. All men, even the best and most powerful, before God, are merely poor sinners who need God's pity."

### Roosevelt Back Plea For 1,000 U.S. Doctors

**HYDE PARK, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—**President Roosevelt to-night urged American doctors to volunteer to serve in military and civilian hospitals of "our British friends" in a statement issued from his home here.

The President said the British Red Cross had appealed through the American Red Cross for a thousand young American doctors to help meet an "acute shortage" of doctors in British hospitals.

**Hearty Approval**

"As President of the American Red Cross I heartily approve of this request."

Volunteers would be enrolled in the British Red Cross and would be protected by the Red Cross Treaty of Geneva.

"Young doctors whom Britain so desperately needs can do much to heal wounds inflicted on civilians and military alike in this cruel war," he added.

### SHAOSHING CAPTURED

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resistance to the Japanese landing at various points along the east Chekiang coast, and others pushing southward from Shaoshan and other points on the south bank of the Chienkiang River.

More than 20 Japanese warships arrived off the coast at Chinghai on the morning of 19. At 1 p.m. Japanese from the warships landed at points east and west of Chinghai under a naval barrage, and headed for Chinghai. After meeting with stubborn Chinese resistance, the Japanese landed reinforcements and pushed up along the south bank of the Yung River.

Japanese landing at Haimen, important seaport at Lingking Har-bour, on the same morning took possession of the town and immediately pushed westward to Hwangyen which also fell into their hands toward evening. The Chinese are attempting to check their advance in the neighbourhood of Hwangyen.

**Shaoshing Falls**

Shaoshing, famous wine-producing town on the south bank of Hangchow Bay, about 35 miles southeast of Hangchow, is admitted to have fallen on April 17. Japanese troops who entered the town began to push southward. They have passed through Liukungfow and Fengkiao and are meeting with resistance at Sienfengwan.

Japanese troops pushing southward from Shaoshan, on the south bank of the Chienkiang River, opposite Hangchow, have been meeting with resistance at Yikiao, Linpu, Yaokungfow and other points along the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway.

Japanese troops who crossed the Fuchun River and penetrated into Tayan on the south bank of the river continue to push southward. They are intercepted by the Chinese at Yintienkai, northwest of Chuki.

### Magyars Release Croats

**BUDAPEST, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—**Admiral Horthy has ordered the release of 1,000 Croats who were prisoners of Croats nationally, according to Budapest newspapers, says a Budapest dispatch to the official German news agency.

The prisoners will be allowed to return to their homes in Croatia immediately, adds the message.

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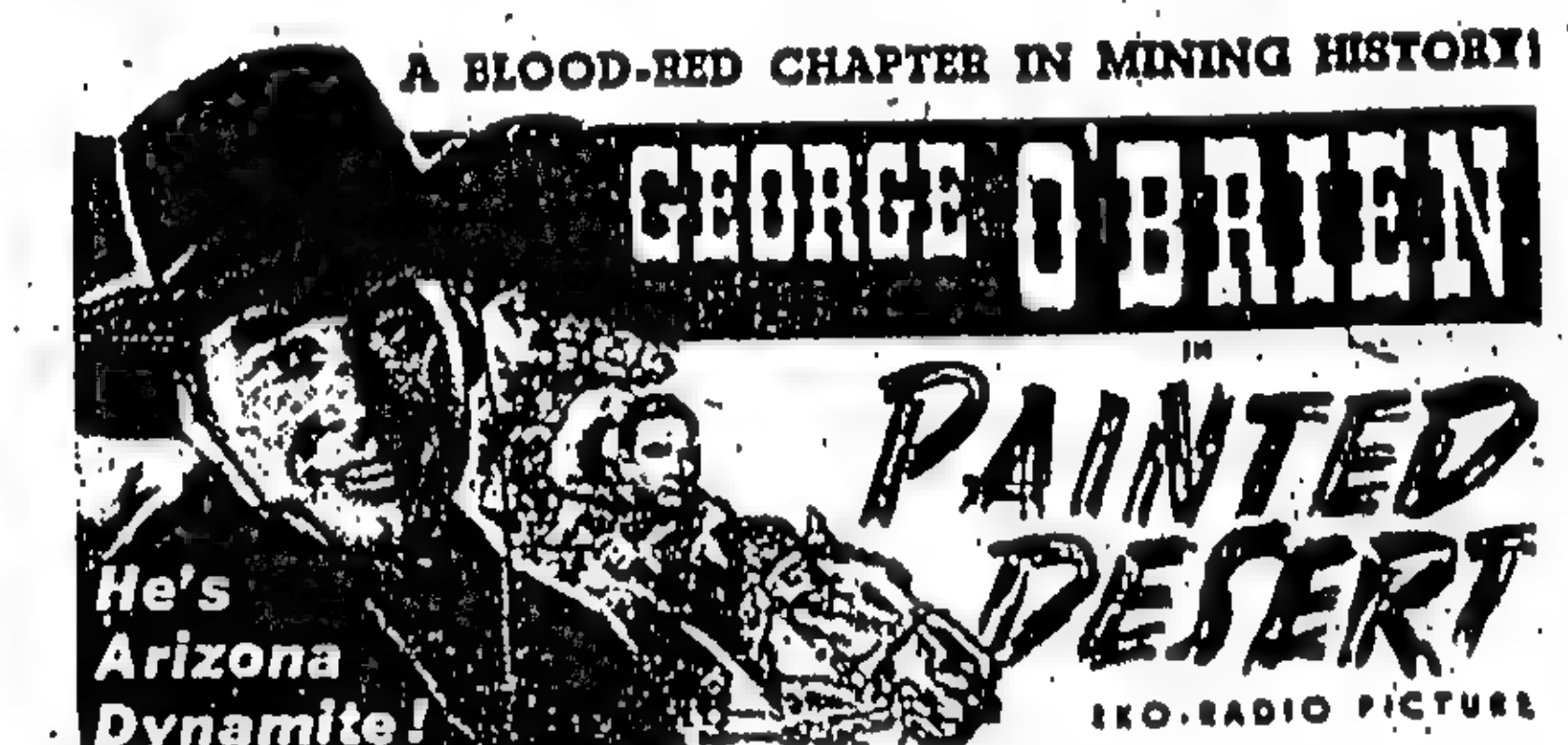


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## NAZIS RUSH REINFORCEMENTS TO OFFSET TERRIBLE LOSSES

Special to the "Telegraph"

ATHENS, APRIL 20 (UP).—THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SECURITY ISSUED A COMMUNIQUE STATING THAT THE GERMANS HEAVILY BOMBED LAMIA YESTERDAY CAUSING CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE TO THE HOUSES IN THE TOWN. IN CALCIS THEY CAUSED BUT LITTLE DAMAGE AND NO CASUALTIES. ONE OF THEIR AIRCRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN.

ACCORDING TO PRESS MINISTRY NEWS FROM THE FRONT, THE GERMANS ARE CONTINUING TO ATTACK FIERCELY ALONG THE WHOLE LINE. THE ALLIED LINE IS UNBROKEN. THE GERMAN EFFORTS TO FORCE A DECISIVE ISSUE HAVE FAILED AND THE GERMAN LOSSES ARE TERRIBLE.

### BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC

Germans Suffer Losses

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Germany has now lost two of her three best U-boat aces, said Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, speaking of the successes in the "ups and downs" of the Battle of the Atlantic at Tottenham to-day.

Schepke, the ace captain of U100, said Mr. Alexander, was dead. His submarine had gone to join U99, captained by another ace, Otto Kretschmer, who was now a prisoner. Both captains have been decorated by Hitler with the Oak Leaves, the highest decoration which Germany has bestowed on her under-

water pirates.

Only three U-boat captains held this decoration.

Both Schepke and Kretschmer had addressed meetings for recruits for U-boat service and Mr. Alexander added: "I don't think that this sort of news will encourage them much." Kretschmer was known and idolised in Germany as the "Wolf of the Atlantic." He had the highest record of destruction of any U-boat captain.

#### Enemy Tonnage Lost

Mr. Alexander stated that nearly 2,500,000 tons of enemy ships had been captured, destroyed or forced to scuttle. The burden of the Atlantic battle was both grievous and heavy, but never for a moment in day and night was there any slackening in the prosecution of the fight.

"This battle has its ups and downs but I assure you that neither U-boats nor German long-range aircraft have it all their own way," he said.

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### 16-Year-Old Blitz Hero

Cool and Courageous

LONDON, Apr. 20 (British Wire- less).—Among many press reports of courage and coolness on the part of London's civil population in last night's and Wednesday night's indiscriminate raids on the capital is one describing how a 16-year-old messenger boy, Michael O'Connor, four feet high, helped not only in the carrying of messages at the height of the blitz but also in fighting fires and casualty clearance.

In the words of the Post-Warden, "Mickey" could not do enough. Seven times last night he walked from a fire round to the local fire station with messages. He also helped to fight a fire at a church, which was saved from serious damage. He also assisted a casualty to the First Aid post and carried out other duties throughout the raid.

This was O'Connor's second baptism of fire, for he had previously carried out invaluable work on Wednesday night.

### R.A.F. Make North Africa Uncomfortable For Enemy

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—R.A.F. bombers and fighters inflicted heavy casualties and damage on enemy personnel and material in Tripolitania as well as in Cirenaica during yesterday and the previous night, according to an R.A.F. communique.

Enemy motor transport was destroyed in numerous localities, including Acroma, El Adem, Bardia and Monastir.

A number of enemy aircraft were bombed and damaged at Derna aerodrome and the Berka airport was also raided.

Fighters carried out continuous offensive patrols and inflicted heavy casualties on motorised troops; they machine-gunned Gazala aerodrome, where they destroyed one Savoia

The Germans are throwing many aircraft into the fight. The heaviest fighting yesterday was around Kalabaka where the German attempt to break through also failed. They failed to break through at Mount Olympus and Sarandoporon Pass.

It is authoritatively stated that the Germans, while they have admittedly advanced south, have nowhere broken through the Allied lines.

The Press Ministry said that in Albania the operations are following their regular course. The Greeks are retiring smoothly.

The Ministry quotes the Sunday press as saying that the new and shorter Allied line will offer a strong and effective defence.

### ABYSSINIA SITUATION

#### Selassie Returning To His Capital

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Arrangements for the return of the Emperor of Abyssinia to his capital, Addis Ababa, are progressing with all speed, "Reuter" was informed in London to-day.

Emperor Haile Selassie was last reported to be at the head of his army in the Debra Marcos area some 100 miles northwest of Addis Ababa.

#### R.A.F. Activity

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—In the Dessie-Alomata area, enemy positions and motor transport were bombed and machine-gunned, direct hits being obtained on fortifications and military buildings.

R.A.F. fighters machine-gunned motor transport north of Dessie, causing considerable damage and setting oil tankers afire.

#### Mopping Up

CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Imperial forces have practically reached the outskirts of Dessie, one of the last remaining Italian strongholds in the country.

Operations in Abyssinia are bound to slow down somewhat because of the task of mopping up various Italian columns, it is pointed out here.

### BREST AGAIN ATTACKED

LONDON, Apr. 20 (UP).—The Air Ministry announced to-day that planes of the Coastal Command attacked Brest about dusk last night and that "bombs were seen to burst in the dockyard area."

British air craft in Greece yesterday intercepted German Stukas who were trying to attack Calcis. Ten German planes were shot down and many others were damaged. From all the operations, all the British aircraft returned safely.

Information from Ankara reveals that trains filled with wounded soldiers are continuously arriving at Bucharest and other Rumanian cities. It is confirmed that the Bulgarians have marched into Yugo-Slavia.

#### Greek Communique

LONDON, Apr. 20 (UP).—Radio Athens announced a Greek war communique stating that the enemy attempted to attack the front line at two points but were repulsed and chased back beyond their own lines, and that a number of prisoners were taken.

In Macedonia and Thessaly the enemy, despite violent aerial activity, at no point broke through the Anglo-Greek positions which have been adjusted according to plans.

### More Japanese Penetrations

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" SHANGHAI, Apr. 21 (UP).—According to a Chungking communique, it is confirmed that 2,000 Japanese troops have landed in the Min River estuary and are advancing towards Foochow.

It was stated that another detachment captured Chennai and Haimen yesterday, while 2,000 proceeded 15 miles west of Haimen and captured Huangyuan.

The 3,000 troops which captured Shaoshing have been reinforced and are reported to be converging on the railway town of Chuidi, 40 miles south of Hangchow.

### LATEST

#### S.M.C. DECISION

Shanghai, Apr. 21 (Reuter).—The Chinese Ratepayers Association has accepted the modest proposal whereby only four of the five Chinese Council members shall be represented in the newly-constituted Provisional Council.

### New Greek Cabinet Meets

#### Ministers Named

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—The composition of the new Greek Cabinet, presided over by King George of Greece, was announced to-night, states the Athens radio.

The Deputy Prime Minister is Vice-Admiral Alexander Sakellarios, Chief of Naval Staff who will also be Minister for the Navy.

#### Personnel

Other Ministers are: War—General Panagakes. Air—General Nicolaidis. Communications and Railways—General Korzas. Foreign Affairs, Finance and National Economy—Mr. Emanuel Underos. Public Welfare and Press—Mr. Nikoloudas.

Agriculture and Labour—Mr. Demetrios. Interior and Public Security—Mr. Maniades. Education and Justice—Mr. E. Sekeris. Under-Secretary of State for Shipping—Mr. S. Theophanides.

The new government took the oath at 5.15 p.m. this afternoon and held its first meeting immediately afterwards.

### SHAOSHING CAPTURED Ningpo Entered

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" CHUNGKING, Apr. 20 (UP).—The High Command admits that the Japanese have captured Shaoshing, the wine producing centre, but claims that the Chinese repulsed a Japanese landing at Haimen after very bitter fighting.

#### Japanese In Ningpo

SHANGHAI, Apr. 20 (UP).—It is officially announced that the Japanese are entering Ningpo, one of the most important ports in Chekiang. Japanese reconnaissance planes saw 1,000 junks loaded with Chinese troops withdraw from the town after it had been heavily bombed.

#### Chinese Reports

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" CHUNGKING, Apr. 20 (Central News).—Chinese troops are offering

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### H.K. has 15,500 Engaged In Essential Services

You are in Essential Services, perhaps an A.R.P. Warden or a fire fighter. Do you know what your neighbour is doing? The figures given below afford some idea of what a small number of people are doing for the defence of the 2,000,000 or so who comprise the population of Hongkong.

Authoritative sources state that the numbers engaged in various defence organisations, apart from the armed forces, street guards and anti-sabotage units, are:—  
A.R.P. Wardens ..... 4,000  
Ambulance workers ..... 2,500  
Decontamination squads ..... 500  
Demolition and rescue squads ..... 500  
Fire fighters ..... 1,000  
Fire spotters ..... 500  
Nurses ..... 2,000  
Special essential services ..... 1,500  
Messengers ..... 2,000  
Unofficial estimates place the total

### Rescued By Destroyer

The work of the British navy is not confined to fighting, hunting and convoying, but often its ships are engaged in errands of mercy. This remarkable picture illustrates the point. It shows survivors of a ship sunk by the Nazis, being rescued in the lifeboats by a British destroyer. This is another phase of the Battle of the Atlantic.



### HITLER'S BRIBE TO PETAIN

Special to the "Telegraph"

VICHY, Apr. 20 (UP).—It is reliably stated that the Germans have indicated a willingness to return to the status existing the day M. Laval fell on condition that Laval returns to the Government in some capacity. Hitler has offered to proceed on the basis of the plan worked out by von Ribbentrop, Laval and Abetz; namely,

- (1) The reduction of the daily charge for the army of occupation from 400,000,000 to 100,000,000 francs.
- (2) The liberation of 500,000 former prisoners.
- (3) Relaxation of the inter-zone boundary controls.
- (4) The exchange of food and raw materials.
- (5) The return to France of the department of Nord pas De-calais.
- (6) Readjustment of the Alsace-Lorraine frontier.
- (7) Start negotiations for permanent peace.
- (8) Hitler to recognise the integrity of the French Empire except the former German colonies which involve Spain and Italy and waiving territorial claims against the French African possessions.

The German reply does not state that M. Laval should return to the Foreign Ministry or the Vice-Premiership but leaves the details for negotiation.

However, it is known that M. Laval has hitherto refused to collaborate with Admiral Darlan and has maintained his demand to assume the Premiership with direction in foreign and home affairs, and the title as chief of the Government which is now held by Marshal Petain, as well as the right to name his own Cabinet. There is no indication when negotiations will begin.

### HITLER HAS A BIRTHDAY

Rome's Left-Handed Compliment

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Hitler spent his birthday (52nd) to-day at his headquarters, presumably somewhere in south-eastern Europe.

After celebrations in the morning, he "resumed his work at 1 p.m.," according to the German wireless.

Field Marshal Walter von Brauchitsch, C-in-C of the German Army, in a Hitler birthday Order of the Day to the troops, declared: "Trusting in the Fuehrer and confident of victory, we shall beat the last enemy."

This order was read over the German radio.

Admiral Raeder, C-in-C of the Nazi Navy, also issued an order expressing himself confident of victory in the "final struggle against a powerful enemy."

#### Second To Duce

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Rome Radio, broadcasting birthday greetings to Hitler to-day, declared: "Hitler is no doubt one of the greatest men in history but fate has decided that he should only reveal himself after Mussolini has been acknowledged everywhere as the greatest statesman in the world."

### Koo And Quo To Meet At Lisbon

CHUNGKING, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Dr. Wellington Koo, the Chinese Ambassador to the Vichy Government, is on his way to Lisbon to meet Dr. Quo Tai-chi, the new Chinese Foreign Minister, who is to return to Chungking from London by way of the United States.

Dr. Quo Tai-chi has been for the past nine years Ambassador to Britain. After conferring with Dr. Quo Tai-chi, Dr. Wellington Koo will probably proceed to London.



### Princess Elizabeth 15 To-day

To Receive Priceless Heirloom

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Apr. 20 (UP).—Princess Elizabeth will receive a priceless Royal Family heirloom to celebrate her 15th birthday on Monday. It is a turquoise and diamond set comprising a necklace, a brooch and bracelets which once belonged to Queen Victoria and which, according to family tradition, passes to the King's oldest daughter on her 15th birthday.

This will easily be Princess Elizabeth's most valuable possession, but she will not be allowed to wear it until she becomes at least 18 years of age, since the Queen only permits her daughter to wear a simple silver wrist watch and a plain engraved brooch.

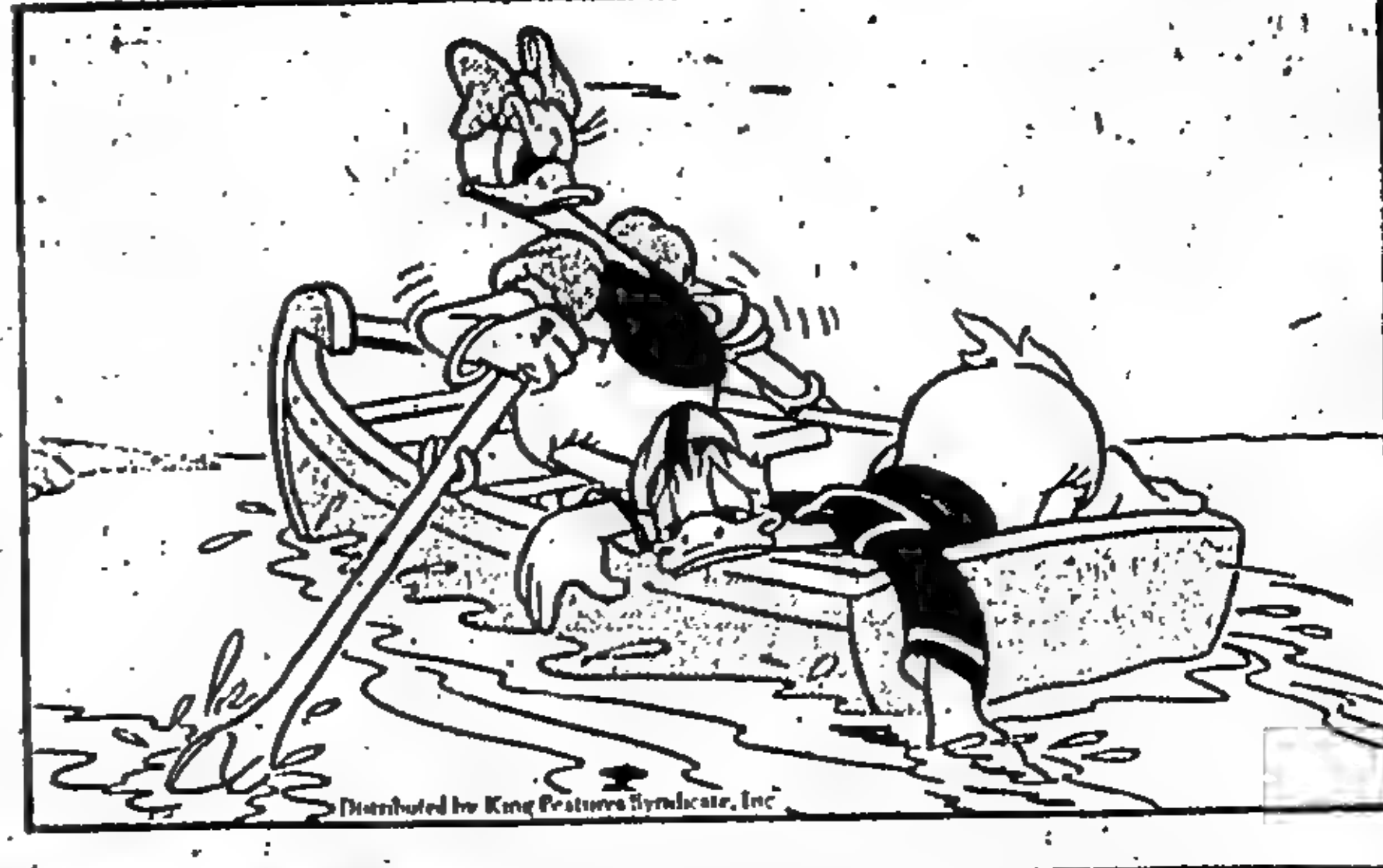
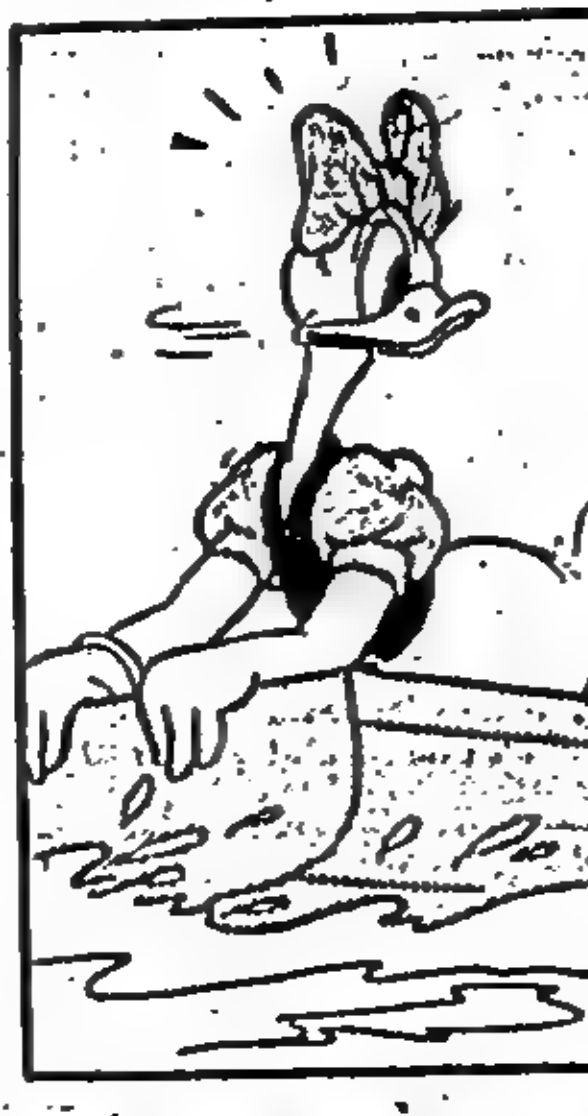
The Princess will spend her birthday "somewhere in the country," where she has been evacuated since Christmas 1939. It will be the most quiet birthday she has ever spent. The King and Queen hope to tear themselves away from their duties in London to visit her.

LONDON, Apr. 20 (British Wire- less).—A total of £11,000,830 was raised in war savings last week, making a grand total of £712,038,865.

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## 'School-Tie' Colonel Dismissed

COLONEL R. C. BINGHAM (Old Etonian), who wrote to "The Times" recently suggesting that only public school men were proving fit to receive Army commissions, has been dismissed from his post.

Capt. Margesson (Old Harrovian), the new Secretary for War, announced this in the House of Commons.

The colonel, he said, had committed a breach of King's Regulations, and an expression of the Army Council's severe displeasure has been conveyed to him. That disposed of the disciplinary side of the matter.

## Not Suitable

In addition, he had decided that this officer was no longer suitable for the command of an officer cadet training unit, and he had given instructions for him to be relieved of his command.

Cheers from all parts of the House greeted this decision. Brig.-Gen. Sir Ernest Makins, Tory, M.P. for Knutsford (Old Wykehamist), suggested there was a parallel with a story by H. H. Munro, which described the very unfortunate results to a woman who set to tell the truth.

Captain Margesson did not reply.

## Earl's Grandson

F. G. H. Salisbury, "Daily Herald" War Correspondent, writes: The dismissed officer is a lieutenant-colonel of the Coldstream Guards, in the Regular Army Reserve of Officers.

The normal procedure now would be for him to return to his regimental depot, pending further employment.

The War Minister's announcement, however, complicates the question of finding him a position suitable to his rank.

It may be presumed that for the time being he will remain unemployed.

Lieut.-Colonel Bingham, who is 53, is a grandson of the 4th Earl of Lucan.

## His Letter

His letter to "The Times" stated: "Our new armies are being officered by classes of society who are new to the job. The middle, lower-middle, and working-classes are now receiving the King's Commission. "These classes, unlike the old aristocratic and feudal (almost) classes who led the old army, have never had their people to consider. They have never had anyone to think of but themselves."

"This aspect of life is completely new to them, and they have very largely fallen down on it in their capacity as army officers." Colonel Bingham also stated, "Never was the old school tie and the best that it stands for more justified than it is to-day."

## CHINA AIR ROUTES

Peking, Apr. 18. The China Aviation Corporation (a Japanese controlled organisation) beginning June 1 is opening three new air routes, linking Peking with Yencheng in southern Shansi, Swatow with Canton and Peking, and Tientsin with Tsingtao.—Domei.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

## HONGKONG ENGINEERING &amp; CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the NINETEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders of the Hongkong Engineering & Construction Company, Limited, will be held at the offices of Messrs. Sir Elly Kadoorie & Sons, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 30th April, 1941, at 12 o'clock (noon), for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended on the 31st December, 1940, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 21st to 30th April, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
B. ALVES,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th April, 1941.

## GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 52nd Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, the 22nd day of April, 1941, at 11.30 o'clock, a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 9th April, 1941, to TUESDAY, the 22nd April, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

R. TAYLOR,  
Manager and Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 25th March, 1941.

## NOTICE

## DEFENCE REGULATIONS 1940

The following rates will be charged for mailing single copies of the following newspapers abroad:—

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China and Macao  
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16 cents Saturdays

British and Foreign  
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25 cents Saturdays.

## Honour For Mdm. Chiang

Mme. Chiang Kai-shek recently was presented with the blue triangle pin of the American Y.W.C.A. becoming the third woman in the world to receive the honour.

The presentation was made by Miss Lillian K. Haas, secretary of the Y.W.C.A. National Board for China, and was made in the presence of the Generalissimo, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, U.S. Ambassador to China, and many important Government officials and their wives.

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, wife of the President of the United States and Queen Elizabeth of England are the two other recipients of the pin.

Miss Haas, in presenting the pin, said that the "three triangles represent three Democracies—China, Britain and America."

EMIGRANTS FROM COLONY  
The number of Chinese emigrants leaving the Colony for the Straits Settlements during the month of March was 3,019.



The Misses Maureen Booker, Rachel Smith, Pamela Pritchard, Betty Richards, Betty Longbottom and Cynthia Sanh, who will appear in "Pure and Simple," an attractive revue organised by the H.K.V.A.D. in aid of the British bombed areas. The show will be presented at the China Fleet Club Theatre on Friday and Saturday next.

## Billion in French Gold Stored in Martinique

VICHY, April 20 (UP).—The entire gold reserve of the Bank of France, estimated at \$1,000,000,000 (U.S.), has been transferred safely to Martinique aboard the French cruiser Emile Bertin, it is announced here.

The French cruiser narrowly escaped seizure last June when British authorities learned that Marshal Petain had asked a separate armistice, it was said.

The gold is now said to be buried in the mountain-top fortress of Desaix, at Fort de France, in 14,000 sacks under a slab of concrete and protected by naval guns from the old battleship Jules Ferry, which can fire 23 miles to sea.

More than eight months after the transfer, it was disclosed for the first time here that the gold had left France.

When the war began, the Bank of France decentralised its gold and hid it in secret places in the provinces. When the Somme line broke, and it became apparent that nothing would stop the Germans, the gold was gathered at vaults at Le Puy, in the volcanic fastnesses of the Auvergne central highlands.

**Gold Moved**  
The day the German armies crossed the Sene at Vernon, bank officials decided to move the gold to America secretly. Fourteen sacks, each containing 120 pounds of gold worth 40,000,000,000 francs, were removed hastily from the vaults of the Bank of France at Le Puy. The German armies on the same day were crossing the Seine at Vernon.

There was a wild race to Brest with the gold sacks. On June 12 the whole stock was embarked on the cruiser Emile Bertin, in charge of Commander Balle, who was given sealed orders. Watchers knew that if the cruiser turned north the gold was going to Britain, if it turned south the gold was bound for Dakar, Africa. But it went straight west at 30 knots and on June 18 arrived at Halifax, Nova Scotia.

## Veteran Company

All members of the Veteran Company, H.K.V.D.C., will commence training at Murray Barracks, Garden Road, Victoria, to-day, April 21, at 5.15 p.m.



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The function was a big success, a buffet supper being served at midnight and dancing continuing till the early hours, the music being provided by the Middlesex Regiment Dance Band.

Divisional Warden H. R. Sequeira received the guests. Among those who attended were Wing Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, Director of Air Raid Precautions, Mr. B. H. Puckle, Mr. Wong Sik-kuen, A.R.P. Aide-de-Camp to the Governor, Mr. M. L. Bevan, Mr. Ho Kam-long, Mr. Tse Ka-po, Major C. Champ-kin, Capt. C. de Sallie Robertson, Mr. Ernest Manning, Mr. G. A. Foranah, Mr. A. Hyde-Lay, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Rumlahn, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Baptista, Miss Priscilla Ho, the Misses Grant, Mr. A. E. M. Raseke, Mr. George Sun and Miss Lorna Mok.

## Object of Function.

At supper, Wing Commander Steele-Perkins, in a brief speech, congratulated the Upper Levels Division for their initiative in arranging the dance, which he said was the inauguration of its kind since the formation of the Corps of Air Raid Wardens. The object of such a function, he said, was to bring all members of the Corps closer together.

He expressed thanks to the Committee of the Club Lusitano for allowing the use of their Club, and to Mr. Baptista for the fine decorations in the ballroom.

## Play's Record Run On Broadway

"Tobacco Road," the grim and sordid drama of the Georgian Hills, which broke all records for length of run on Broadway, is now in its eighth year.

The previous Broadway record was held by "Able's Irish Rose," with 2,317 performances. In London the Lord Chamberlain refused a licence to "Tobacco Road," and it was performed in private at the Gate Theatre Studio.

## Arctic Is Boring Nazis To Death

HUNDREDS of German troops stationed in northern Norway are being invalidated home with the mysterious Arctic malady known as "Lappon disease."

The Military Psychiatric Institute in Berlin, it was announced recently, is trying to find a way to protect soldiers from the illness which takes the form of severe nervous breakdown followed by complete lethargy, resembling sleeping sickness.

It is believed to be caused by the long Arctic night, lack of vitamins, solitude and boredom, and it sometimes leads to violent lunacy.

It seems that the morale of German soldiers in the occupied countries is becoming so seriously affected that Hitler has ordered the expenditure of millions of pounds on German "soldiers' homes," to be established everywhere between the "North Cape and the Bay of Biscay."

The first twelve "homes" are to be built in northern Norway.

## Y.M.C.A. VETERAN

Mr B. W. Smith Leaving Shanghai After 26 Years

The Shanghai Navy Y.M.C.A. and the Navy Y.M.C.A. District Executive Secretary, Mr B. W. Smith is sailing for home in the President Pierce on May 2.

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The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended:—Yunnan, Szechuen, Kweichow, Hunan, Fukien (except Amoy and Kulangsu), Kwangsi, North and East of Kwangtung.

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

## INWARD AIR MAILS

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 14th April ..... Apr. 21.  
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 10th April ..... Apr. 20.

## OUTWARD AIR MAILS

Monday, Apr. 21  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services".

K. P. O.  
Reg. .... April 21, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... April 21, 5.30 p.m.  
G. P. O.  
Reg. .... April 21, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... April 21, 7 p.m.

Friday, April 20  
Air Mail by Air to Hong Kong to connect with the "British Overseas Airways".

K.P.O. and G.P.O.  
Reg. .... Apr. 25, 4 p.m.  
Ord. .... Apr. 25, 4.30 p.m.

Saturday, Apr. 20  
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services".

K.P.O. and G.P.O.  
Reg. .... Apr. 26, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Apr. 26, 5.30 p.m.

## Chain Gang Fugitive May Go Back

THE man who wrote "I Am a Fugitive from a Chain Gang," Robert E. Burns is to go back to Georgia, U.S.A., to stand his trial on a charge of being a fugitive from the chain gang, according to a report from Atlanta, (Georgia).

Burns has been living in New Jersey for some years since the success of his film and his famous book, and the authorities there refused to extradite him until yesterday.

He had been given a six-year sentence for theft, until he escaped, and in his book he describes the whipping of prisoners and their confinement in sweat boxes and in stocks.

He tells how he managed to escape, only to be caught. He escaped again, and this time remained at liberty.

## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

## ACROSS

1—Body of Moslem

2—Deserve

3—Windflower

4—Capable of being

5—Small bird

6—Part of rapier

7—Legal profession

8—Providing

9—Recruiters

10—Southern state (abbr.)

11—Upper stories

12—Small wound

13—Appellations

14—Long for

15—Flea

16—Club with horns

17—Out of sight

18—Points opposite

19—Circuit

20—Drunkards

21—Tie

22—Wounded by teeth

23—Alibi

24—Long for

25—Unhappy

26—Wine sediment

27—Constellation: the

28—Malicious burning

29—Ancestor of Irish

30—With wide-open

31—Shield

32—Sunburn

## ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

1—Printer's measure

2—Morning

3—Indigo dye

4—Lawn

5—Ornament

6—Flow out

7—Note of scale

8—Tilted

9—Portaging ant

10—To fear

11—Delite

12—Distance of words

13—Pertaining to

14—Archery

15—Gallant point

16—Pierced

17—Tropicans

18—Indian black-buck

19—Cut

20—Poetry

21—Brought forth soup

22—Burnt-in marks

23—Coining of words

24—Mine outcrops

25—Seed coating

26—Sound in sleep

27—Tree

28—Beverage

29—Went to right

30—Volving

31—Aglite air

32—Greek letter

33—Italian river

34—Standard clothing

35—Permit

DOWN

1—Standard clothing

2—Permit







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### A MORAL DEFEAT

DICTATORS are unpleasant phenomena. They are products of greed, but fortunately the qualities that bring them into being also carry the elements of their destruction. Their nature denies the possibility of continuity. A dictator must either continue to expand or fade into insignificance. Either eventuality is fatal. Hitler and Mussolini cannot hope to escape their fate, and indeed Mussolini has already had his eclipse, while Hitler though still "enjoying" the fruits of aggressive onslaught, must see the definite tide of revolt rising against him.

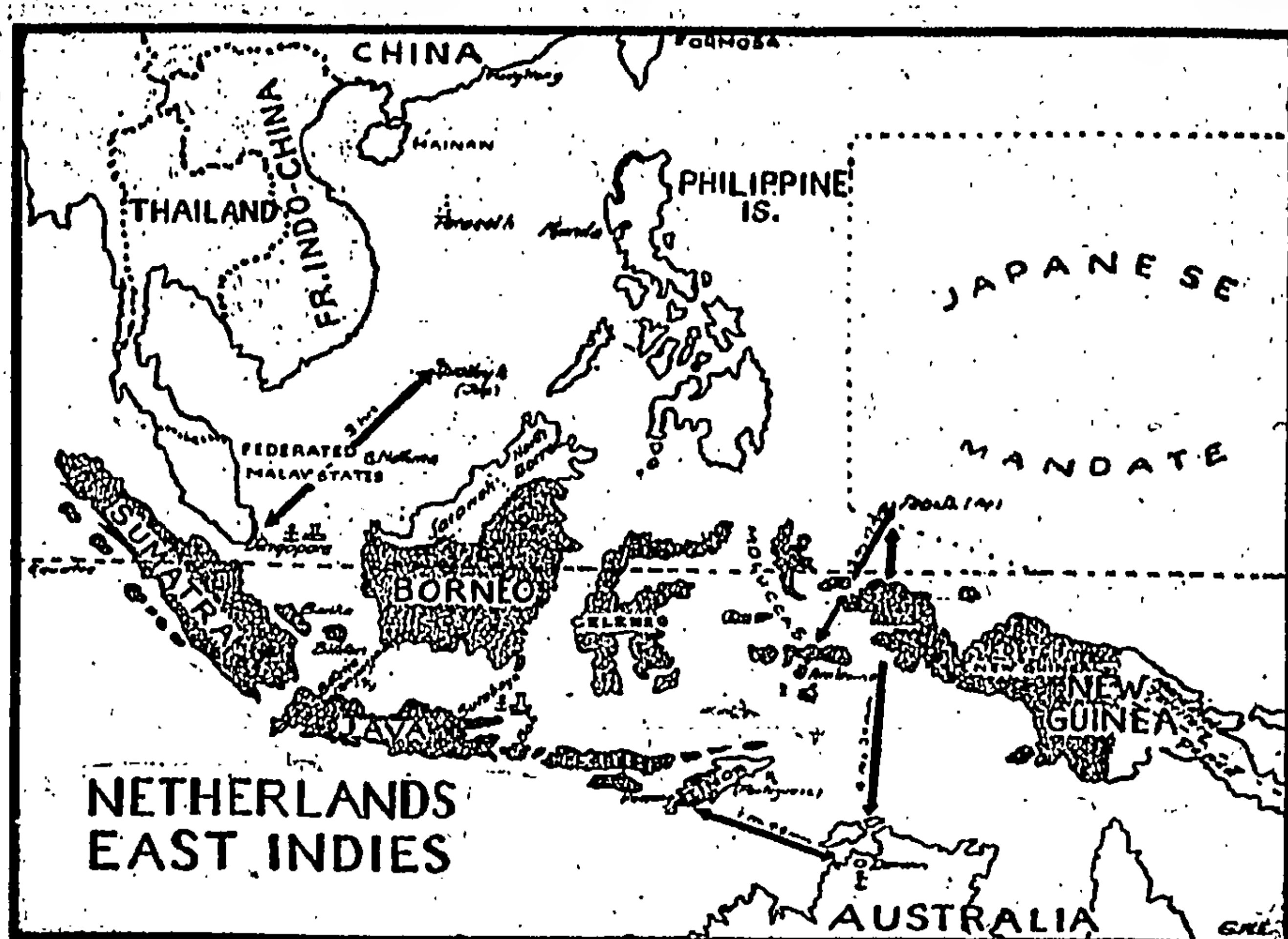
London has for some months past been the centre of a number of governments exiled from their homelands. The representatives of each nation are not idly constructing a miniature court in exile, but are energetically organising revolt against dictatorship by fostering and encouraging their unfortunate citizens remaining under German rule. Reports, rumours and authenticated accounts continually filter through German censorship. Details of revolt here, resistance there and sabotage everywhere indicate how small a hold the Nazi system has gained, and proves that once Hitler's Gestapo and army of occupation weaken, their cause is lost. The Yugo-Slavia decision to fight rather than submit tamely is an indication of the increasing repugnance felt towards the Nazi system, and with it the growing courage to resist. Yugo-Slavia may succumb to sheer overweight in numbers; Greece too, may find it necessary to submit, but have obliged Hitler to fight in that part of Europe which he had hoped to gain by treachery, without a battle. He has a war which he tried to avoid. He may win it, but it will cost him men, ammunition, equipment, gasoline—all of which are precious to him. The fact that he has had to fight at all is for him a defeat.

The nations of Europe have been saying "yes" to Hitler for many years. Yugo-Slavia and Greece, said "no." Hitler met moral defeat when the British resisted. He has met moral defeat again, and though Britain may have weakened her position in Cirenica and Lybia, though she may be "running a great risk," as Mr Churchill put it, it is well that she has sent what aid she could to Greece. It now remains for the United States, who also promised aid—their Minister to Belgrade gave pledges in the name of his country—to act quickly and powerfully.

WHEN THE WILHELMUS IS SUNG IN ANY TOWN IN THE INDIES, it is the almost invariable practice to sing the British National Anthem as well. Portraits of King George hang side by side with those of Queen Wilhelmina, and Hollanders speak of Mr Churchill as "our leader." The feeling of solidarity between the two nations is complete.

In surveying the strength of our Allies and their ability to contribute towards the prosecution of the war, complete dependence can be placed on the Netherlands colonial empire. It is in the economic sphere that the Indies can chiefly help.

The supplies of sugar and tea which are being sent to fulfil orders placed by the Ministry of Food, together with the Netherlands Indies' purchases of Lancashire goods, are tokens of the desire of the Hollander in the East to do everything in his power to assist Great Britain. The monetary agreement covering British purchases in the Indies virtually means that the goods need not be paid for until



# The Free Dutch Oversea and what the Japanese discovered

By A Special Correspondent

two and a half years after the end of the war, the money being meanwhile invested in Treasury Bonds, although wherever possible the Indies are drawing upon their sterling balances for purchases from within the British Empire.

### "Assistance"

AFTER the German invasion of the Netherlands, the Japanese appeared to think that the whole structure of the Indies would collapse and that the Dutch colonial empire would be ready and eager for Japan's "assistance" in economic and even in political matters. Instead, they found the Governor-General well able to maintain the status quo in a country which felt quite strong enough to safeguard its interests in trade, defence, and internal government. This greatly impressed the Japanese.

The Dutch believe that one of the mistakes of the French Indo-China authorities, when the Japanese were making demands against them, was their appeal for help to the United States. The Japanese took this to be the best moment for increasing their pressure, and when they found that the United States was unable to do more for Indo-China than express concern about the future of the country—they simply walked in.

### Will Fight

It is impossible to exaggerate the difference between Indo-China and the Netherlands Indies. In the former, there was defeatism from the moment France collapsed; in the latter, every setback in Europe had the effect of increasing the Hollanders' will to victory. No one who has stayed in the Indies more than a few days would ask, as some who do not know the country and the temper of

its people sometimes ask, whether the Netherlands Indies would fight if they were attacked. The moral of the people, their Government, and the fighting forces has never been higher.

The Japanese discovered this during the recent economic conversations. There is probably more truth than might appear on the surface in the assertion of Mr Kobayashi that the Netherlands Indies are not regarded by the Japanese Government as coming within the scope of the "new order in greater East Asia."

### Standpoint Clear

MR H. VAN MOOK, the director of economic affairs in the Indies, who was appointed by Queen Wilhelmina as Minister plenipotentiary to lead the Dutch delegation in the talks with Mr Kobayashi, has made the Netherlands Indies' standpoint perfectly clear in a memorandum circulated recently to members of the Volksraad. The Netherlands delegation had asked the Japanese whether the leadership of Greater East Asia, mentioned in the text of the tripartite pact, was meant to comprise the Indies.

The Japanese delegation answered that the pact had in no way altered relations between Japan and the Asiatic part of the kingdom of the Netherlands (said Mr van Mook). Verbal assurances were, moreover, given that Japan does not aim at such a leadership in the Netherlands Indies.

Although the negotiations were not immediately affected by the pact, Mr van Mook has made it clear that further developments in the relations between Japan and Germany are

being closely watched. His statement concludes with a declaration on future policy in the Indies:—

### Co-operation

"It seems hardly necessary for the Government to declare explicitly that they would most emphatically reject a new order implying the authority of a foreign Power over this part of the kingdom, and they can neither appreciate nor promote a development in economic world relations leading to the inclusion of the Netherlands Indies in an Asiatic block."

"It is of vital importance for the Netherlands Indies not only that complete sovereignty be maintained in the country itself but that friendly economic relations be promoted, without discrimination and on as large a scale as possible, with all those parts of the world which are not barred from communication with this country as a result of the war."

The development of our relations with our Eastern neighbours will in itself always constitute an integral part of this country's economic policy. It is only in the aforementioned sense that the Government can interpret the promotion of prosperity through co-operation with other countries; they repudiate most decidedly any form of co-operation that would imply a preferential position for the being paid to torpedo-boats, with which the Navy has been newly provided. These vessels, which are being built in large numbers at Sourabaya dockyard, are fitted with torpedo tubes and anti-aircraft guns. In favourable conditions they could do much damage to an enemy fleet, although admittedly at high cost to themselves.

### Air Strength

THE N.I. BUDGET for the coming year provides for big arms purchases in the United States. Orders have been placed for large numbers of aircraft, including bombers, fighters, and naval flying-boats, and if deliveries are maintained at the expected level, the air forces of the Army and Navy will before the end of 1941 be nearly four times as big as they are to-day. The greatest importance is attached to air defence in view of the large area for which protection must be provided. Fly- ing-boats carry out daily patrols throughout the archipelago, and in repulsing an attempted invasion bombers would be used to concentrate at the threatened points in sufficient strength to deal a decisive blow.

The air forces are to-day already a very potent arm, and if the expansion programme of the coming year can be achieved without interruption, the Indies will feel completely safe. The programme includes the training of pilots, air and ground crews, and the extension of the chain of air bases from Borneo to New Guinea. There are close on 100 landing grounds and flying-boat bases in the Indies, with refuelling stations far in the interior of the various islands. Some of these stations are inaccessible by land, all supplies being taken by air.

### The Army

The N.I. Army, said to number over 100,000 men, is well equipped for operations in Java and the Outer Possessions. It is not highly mechanised, but is well armed with modern weapons, and will be Sourabaya.—(M.L.)

and, apart from the European units, comprises Indonesians from those races who have given proof of their fighting qualities in the various colonial wars of last century. All Hollanders and Eurasians (who are classed as Europeans) are liable for conscript service with the forces, and a proposal is now being discussed for enlisting a native Militia if sufficient instructors and the necessary weapons are available. The Army, which has paid special attention to internal security measures since the invasion of the Netherlands, is responsible for coastal defence. The fortifications at all strategic points are exceptionally strong, while the naval bases at Sourabaya and Amboyna are considered to be well-nigh impregnable.

### The Navy

THE NAVY, whose great regret is that the German invasion of Holland put an end to the plan for a battle fleet to be stationed in the Indies, cannot be compared with the navy of Japan, but it is a useful force for our relations with our Eastern neighbours will in itself always constitute an integral part of this country's economic policy. It is only in the aforementioned sense that the Government can interpret the promotion of prosperity through co-operation with other countries; they repudiate most decidedly any form of co-operation that would imply a preferential position for the being paid to torpedo-boats, with which the Navy has been newly provided. These vessels, which are being built in large numbers at Sourabaya dockyard, are fitted with torpedo tubes and anti-aircraft guns. In favourable conditions they could do much damage to an enemy fleet, although admittedly at high cost to themselves.

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British and Dutch interests appear to be identical in Malaysia, a territory from which America draws important raw materials, including rubber and tin. If equipped for operations in Java and the Outer Possessions. It is not highly mechanised, but is well armed with modern weapons, and will be Sourabaya.—(M.L.)

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Oh, that's the landlord—we gave this party to break our lease and now he won't hear of it!"



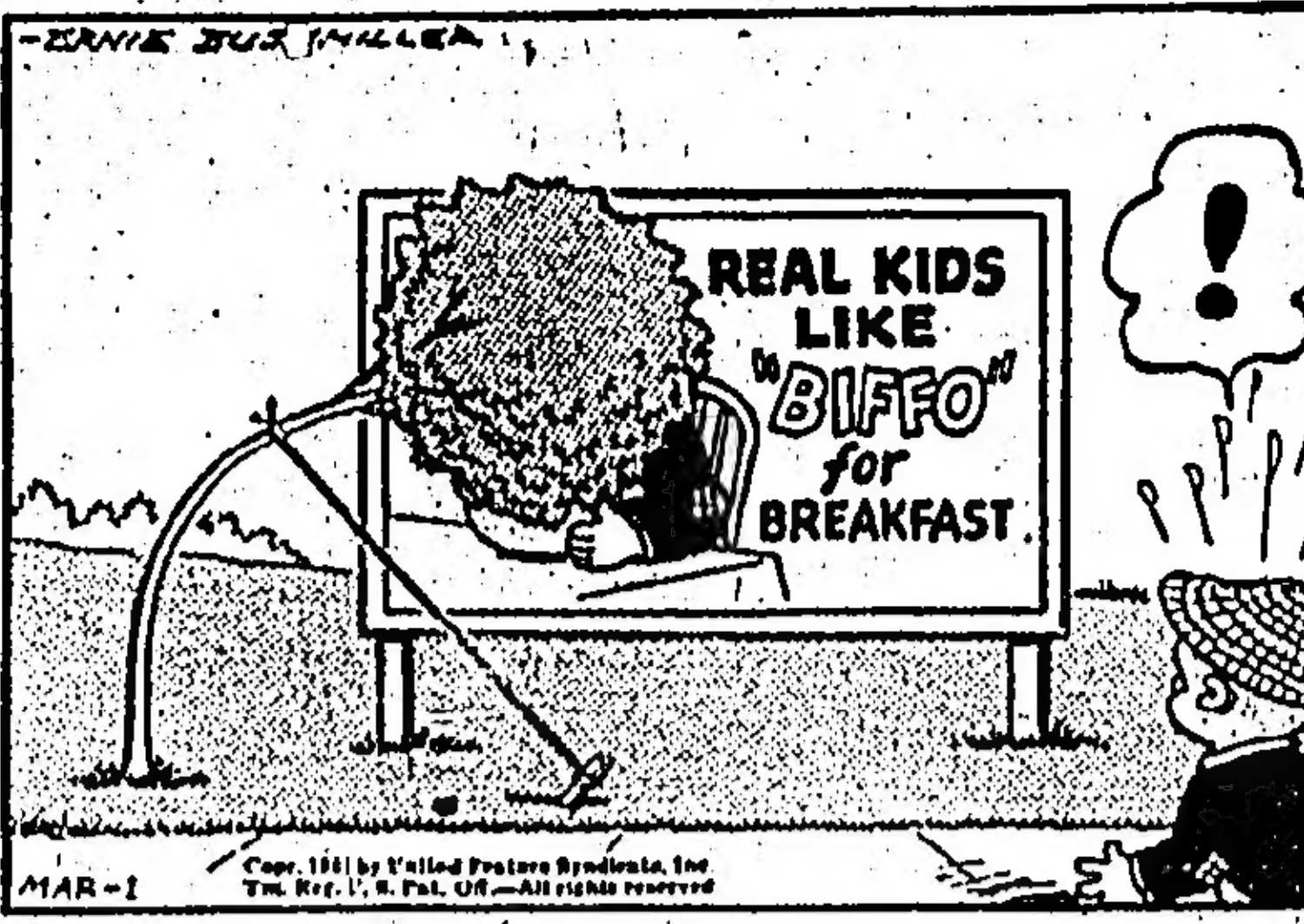
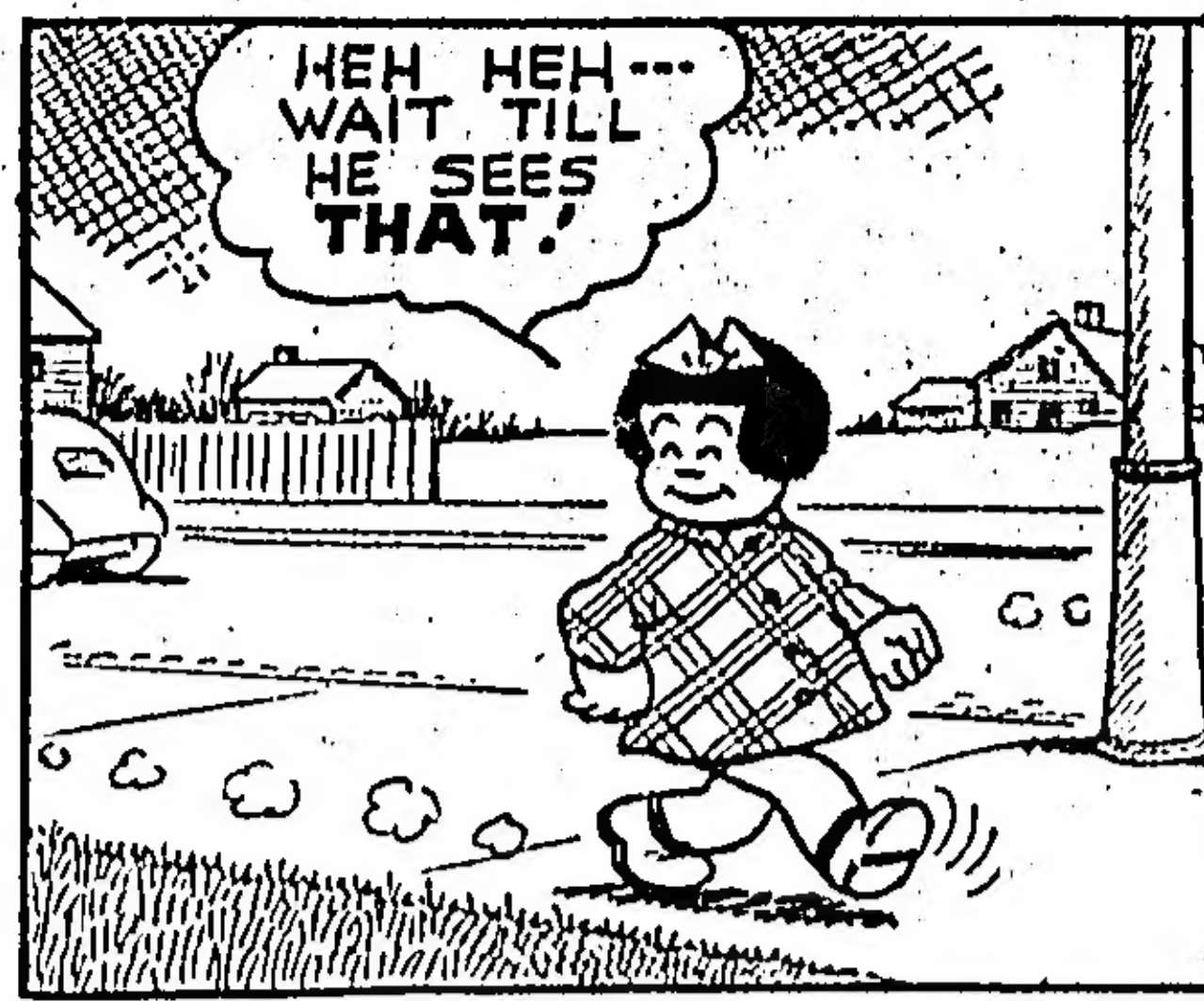
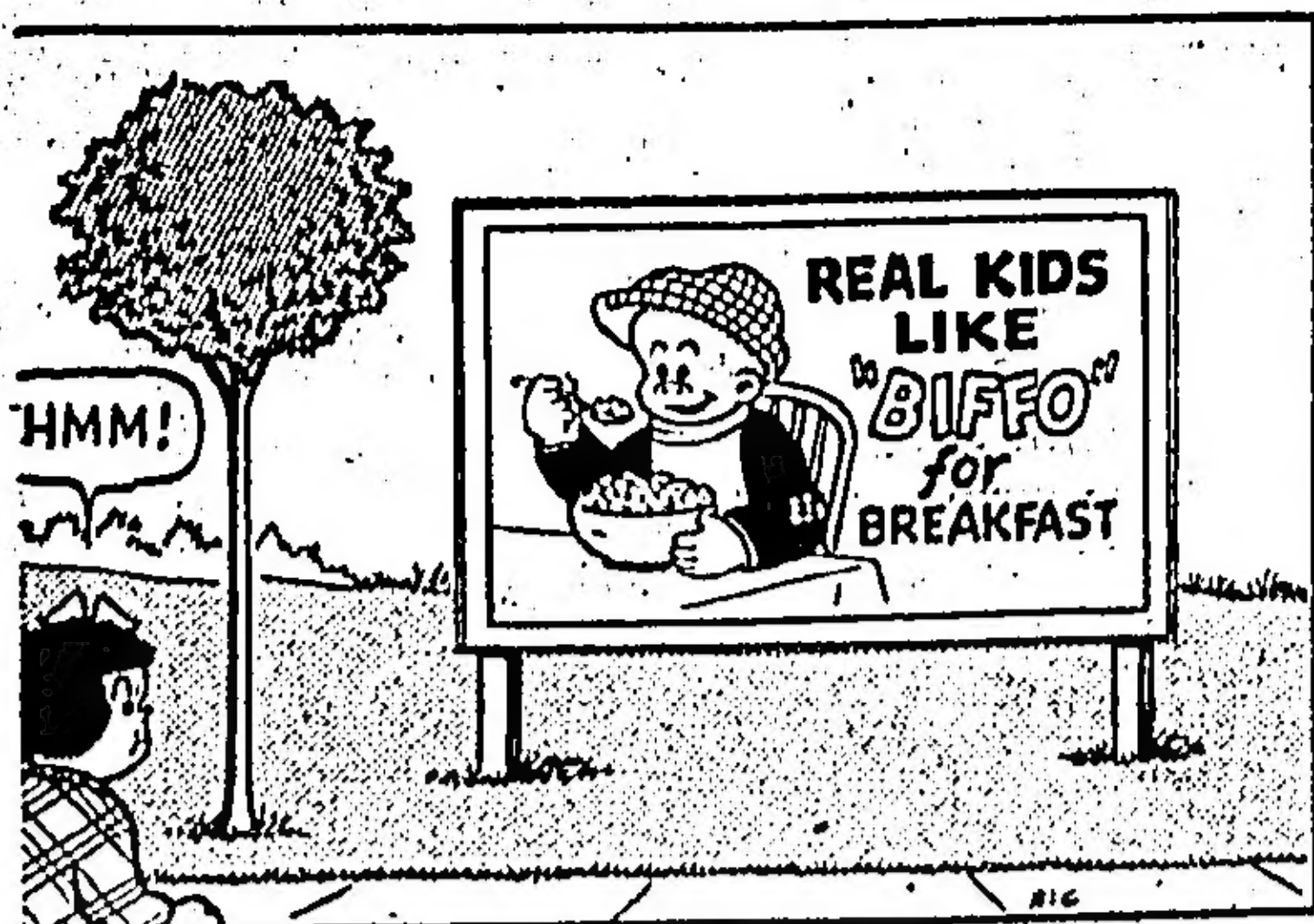








## NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

BULGARS GUARD  
GERMAN GAINS

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Bulgaria has been granted temporary new frontiers in Macedonia, Thrace and the Moravia region in Yugo-Slavia, according to the German radio.

Bulgarian troops will continue to advance in Western Thrace so as to occupy the territory limited in the east by a line leading from the Bulgarian frontier town of Servengrad southward to Edgach on the Aegean Sea. In Macedonia, the Bulgarians will proceed as far west as the River Vardar and south as far as the former Greek frontier in the northwest, the advance will be to the River Moravia. The Germans emphasise that these lines are not to be regarded as definite frontiers.

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T.T. France	102 1/2
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A total of \$1,760,401.33 was reached on Saturday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd., with the following donations:

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The Sports Club	500.00
	\$738,684.13

STOCK MARKET  
REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued Saturday, says: A very quiet morning.

Buyers	
Bank of East Asia	\$70
Union Ins.	\$425
Indo-China (Pref)	\$80
Wharves	\$85.50
Humphreys	\$8.80
Trams	\$16
Lights	\$0.50
Lights Ris 50 cts	\$8.25
Entertainments	\$8.25
Sellers	
H.K. Banks	\$1,945
Union Ins.	\$430
Trams	\$18.25
Lights	\$0.50
Sales	
Hotels	\$2.00

Greek King  
To Lead  
His People

## Issues Proclamation

LONDON, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—"Remain united and steadfast and carry on the fight for the country's honour and independence; we must defend the nation to the very end."

This call to the Greek people was made to-day by King George of the Hellenes in a proclamation broadcast by the Athens radio to-night.

The proclamation reads: "Hellenes: After the untoward death of Alexander Korizis, who gave all his strength to the great struggle which has been imposed on the nation by two powerful empires, and in view of the critical moments through which the country is now passing, we have decided ourselves personally to direct the business of the Cabinet for the time being.

"A new government has been formed and sworn in, and we appeal to the Greek people and to all who are fighting at the front as well as to all who are contributing to our war effort behind the lines to remain united and steadfast and carry on the fight for the country's honour and independence."

## High Duty

"We must defend the nation to the very end. This duty is imposed upon us not only by the high traditions of our history and the reverence due to our brave dead, but also by the fact that in guarding the rights we have acquired by our victories and sacrifices, we shall fully secure our national rights in the hour of final victory.

"We, therefore, call upon you, Hellenes, to stand calm, determined, united and disciplined at our side in the unflinching performance of our supreme duty to the country.

"May we go and save Greece."

Be Generous  
In BattlePope Appeals To The  
Belligerents

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
VATICAN CITY, Apr. 20 (UP).—Giving audience to 1,000 university students and professional men this morning, Pope Pius appealed to the belligerents to be generous towards the enemy.

The Pope said: "Humility and charity do not diminish patriotism or bravery. The citizen, in a just war, fights for the defence of his honour or his country, or to impede the citizen fighting with all his strength against the arms of the enemy. But charity prohibits combatants from attacking the innocent or punishing the enemy beyond the limits of justice. The world does not need pride in violence but instead needs loyalty and love. All men, even the best and most powerful, before God, are merely poor sinners who need God's pity."

Roosevelt Back  
Plea For 1,000  
U. S. Doctors

HYDE PARK, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt to-night urged American doctors to volunteer to serve in military and civilian hospitals of "our British friends" in a statement issued from his home here. The President said the British Red Cross had appealed through the American Red Cross for a thousand young American doctors to help meet an "acute shortage" of doctors in British hospitals.

## Hearty Approval

"As President of the American Red Cross I heartily approve of this request."

"Volunteers would be enrolled in the British Red Cross and would be protected by the Red Cross Treaty of Geneva."

"Young doctors whom Britain so desperately needs can do much to heal wounds inflicted on civilians and military alike in this cruel war," he added.



U.S. TANKS IN CANADA—Here are some of the 200 tanks which the U.S. Government recently turned over to Canada for training purposes. They are given a work-out in winter manoeuvres at Camp Borden, Ontario, where the Tank Corps is in training.

Three Fleets For U.S. Navy  
Mean Flexibility Of Action

By Otto Janssen

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, April 19 (UP).—The recent reorganisation of the United States fleet into three distinct forces has improved this country's capacity to meet quickly and forcefully any threat to American security in the Atlantic, Pacific or Far East, naval quarters here assert.

Under a recent executive order of President Roosevelt's, three fleets were created under separate commanders-in-chief. Admiral Thomas C. Hart commands the Asiatic Fleet; Admiral Ernest J. King, the Atlantic Fleet and Admiral Edward Kimmel, the Pacific Fleet. Kimmel is also commander-in-chief of the United States fleet, comprising all these forces.

Prior to the reorganisation order, America's fighting forces afloat consisted of the Pacific Fleet, the Asiatic Fleet and the Patrol Force in the Atlantic.

The reorganisation not only gives the Atlantic Force a full fleet status, but provides greater flexibility in organisation to all these forces.

## Bulk Of Strength

The great bulk of the naval strength still resides in the Pacific Fleet, based at Hawaii. However, the Atlantic fleet will be substantially augmented as the naval programme gains momentum, and some new units are expected to be added to the Asiatic force.

The commanders-in-chief are regarded as being well qualified for their positions in these increasingly critical days. Among them, they have seen service in two major wars and a series of campaigns.

## Kimmel's Service

Kimmel, who once served as President Roosevelt's aide when the latter was Assistant Secretary of the Navy, is a veteran of the Great War in the Mexican campaign. In the Great War he served as executive officer aboard the U.S.S. Arkansas operating with the British Grand Fleet.

After hostilities ended, he was captain of the Yord at the Cavite Naval Station in the Philippines, and later commanded a destroyer division of the Asiatic Fleet. He has also seen considerable service in the Navy Department here.

## Admiral King

Admiral King saw his first war service during the hostilities with Spain. At that time he served aboard the U.S.S. San Francisco, engaged in patrol duty off Atlantic Coast.

During the Great War, King was assistant chief of the staff of Admiral Henry T. Mayo, commander-in-chief of the United States fleet. He received the Navy Cross for his services.

In 1925, when King was in command of the submarine base at New London, Connecticut, the submarine S-51 was sunk off Block Island. King was placed in charge of salvage operations and won the Distinguished Service Medal for his efficient work. King is a qualified naval aviator and has served as commander of fleet units.

The new commander-in-chief of the Atlantic fleet was given command of the patrol force of the United States fleet in December, 1940. The patrol force was the forerunner of the Atlantic fleet.

Among King's various awards are the Spanish Campaign Medal, the Mexican Service Medal and the decoration of the Grande Officier, Order of the Crown of Italy.

## Far Eastern Chief

Admiral Hart also has served in the Spanish-American War and the

Goldilocks  
Goes Back  
To Momma

ONCE upon a time there lived in Marietta, Oklahoma, a thirty-three-year-old farmer named Ivan Heidrich, who was called Goldilocks because his Momma never allowed him to cut his curly hair which reached to his shoulders.

One morning Goldilocks received a letter saying he was conscripted into the American Army and must report.

Kissing Goldilocks good-bye, Momma said: "You can only stay in the Army if the officers let you keep your long curls."

## Proved He Wasn't

So Goldilocks promised Momma that no one should cut his curls, and he went to the Army headquarters. When rude soldiers saw ringlets bobbing on Goldilocks's shoulders they shouted "Sissy," so Goldilocks swung his fists to prove that he wasn't.

Then Goldilocks told the officers: "I'll be a good soldier on condition that you don't cut my hair. Momma always admired my curls, so I am danged if I'll lose 'em now."

## Officers In Huddle

Greatly worried, the officers went into conference. We cannot break his momma's heart," said one. "You remember what happened to Samson," said another. "We can't have a soldier with ringlets," said another. They announced that Goldilocks need not enter the Army after all. "You will be more valuable as a farmer," they told him.

So Goldilocks returned to his farm and momma to live happily ever after.

Huge Food Bill For  
U. S. Forces

WASHINGTON, April 20 (UP).—It will cost \$1,000,000 a day to feed American defence forces when they reach their authorised strength of more than 2,000,000 men.

The largest food bill—\$750,000 a day—will be necessary for the 1,500,000 Army men and officers in service by June. The Navy will pay around \$225,000 daily to feed its projected "Two-Ocean" force of 494,500 men, and the Marine Corps will spend about \$43,000 for food when it reaches its authorised strength of 95,000 men.

The average is a little less than 50 cents a day for each man. The Army figures it spends 50 cents a day for rations, while the Navy and Marine Corps spend 40 cents a day, for each man.

Bible Printers Suffer  
Damage in Air Blitz

LONDON, April 20 (UP).—The Authorised Version of the Bible may have to be completely reset if the printing plates, buried beneath tons of debris at the bombed printing works of Eyre and Spottiswoode, the King's printers, cannot be recovered intact.

If the plates are unfit for use, it will mean the resetting of no less than 3,555,480 letters, involving 773,692 words contained in the 31,173 verses and 1,180 chapters of the Bible.

"As the King's printers, we alone have right to print the Authorised Version," said a director. "The Revised Version and translations of the Bible into other languages are done by other houses."

"We are hoping we shall find some

of the plates undamaged. Water will not injure them, but they may have been melted by fire. If they are gone we shall have to reset every word. The printing of the Bible will go on.

"Many printed sheets have been destroyed but fortunately only a short time before the fire we removed a large number to the country."

Eyre and Spottiswoode also print documents for the House of Commons and the House of Lords.

Special arrangements are being made to continue this work.

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The Children's Corner Suite, (a) Dr Gradus ad Parnassum; (b) The Snow is Dancing; (c) Serenade for the Doll; (d) Jumbo's Lullaby; (e) The Little Shepherd; (f) Goliath's Cake Walk; Walter Gieseking (Piano), La Fille aux Cheveux de Lin; Volodya Menuhin (Violin).

"Dances"—(a) Danse Sacree; (b) Danse Profane, Leopold Stokovsky and the Philadelphia Orchestra.

7.0 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Talk: "Working Together."

7.30 Mendelssohn—Trio in D minor, Op. 49, Coriol, Thibaud and Casals.

8.02 Local Time Signal.

8.05 Piano Duets by Morelon and Kaye.

Dinah: After You've Gone; Nobody's Sweetheart, Tin Pan Alley Medley—No. 21, Intro: An Apple for the Teacher; They Can't Black Out the Moon; We'll Meet Again; I'll Remember; A Man and his Dreams; Goodnight Children Everywhere.

8.15 London Relay—"Hi, Gang!"

9.0 London Relay—"The News."

9.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

9.30 A Light Orchestral Programme with Hubert Elsdell (Tenor).

International Railroad Express, Polka Frieda, Jakob Serebroff's Russian Orchestra, Two Tired Old Eyes (Kenyon & Squire), Because I Miss You so, (Cincinnati & Coates), Hubert Elsdell (Tenor), Novellette—Serenade (Henselt), Frederic Hippmann and his Orch., Evensong (Martin), New Symphony Orchestra cond. by George Walter, Thinkin' of Mary (Ashby & T. C. Stenale Bennett), Always As I Close My Eyes (Handfield-Jones & Coates), Hubert Elsdell (Tenor), Solemn Melody (Walford Davies), New Symphony Orchestra cond. by George Walter.

9.45 News in French (on Short Wave only).

10.0 London Relay—"News from Home" by Howard Marshall.

10.15 Dance Music with Variety.

11.0 Close Down.

The ninth anniversary dinner of the Hongkong Y's Men's Club will be held at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden on Thursday, May 8.

Morro Castle  
Disaster

## Echo In Court Case

The U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New York has ruled that the New York and Cuba Mail Steamship Company cannot recover from the Continental Insurance Company of New York \$1,100,000 damages paid by the line to victims' relatives and survivors of the burning of the Morro Castle on Sept. 8, 1934.

Reversing a lower court decision, which had granted the line \$800,000, the higher court held unanimously that the line had violated safety statutes and the terms of its insurance policy in the disaster which cost 123 lives off the New Jersey coast. The ruling charged that the line had failed to provide men and equipment for fighting the fire and abandoning ship.

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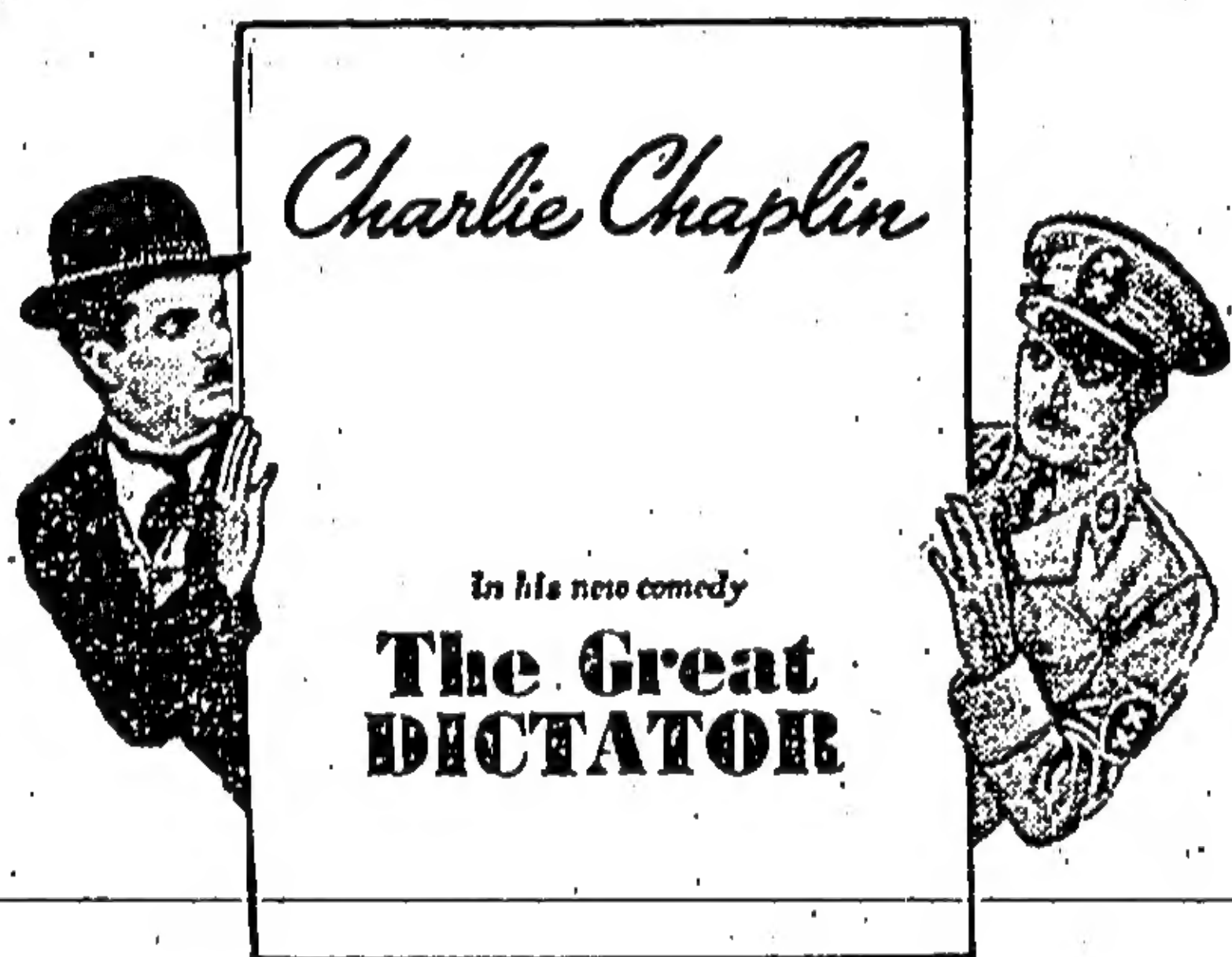
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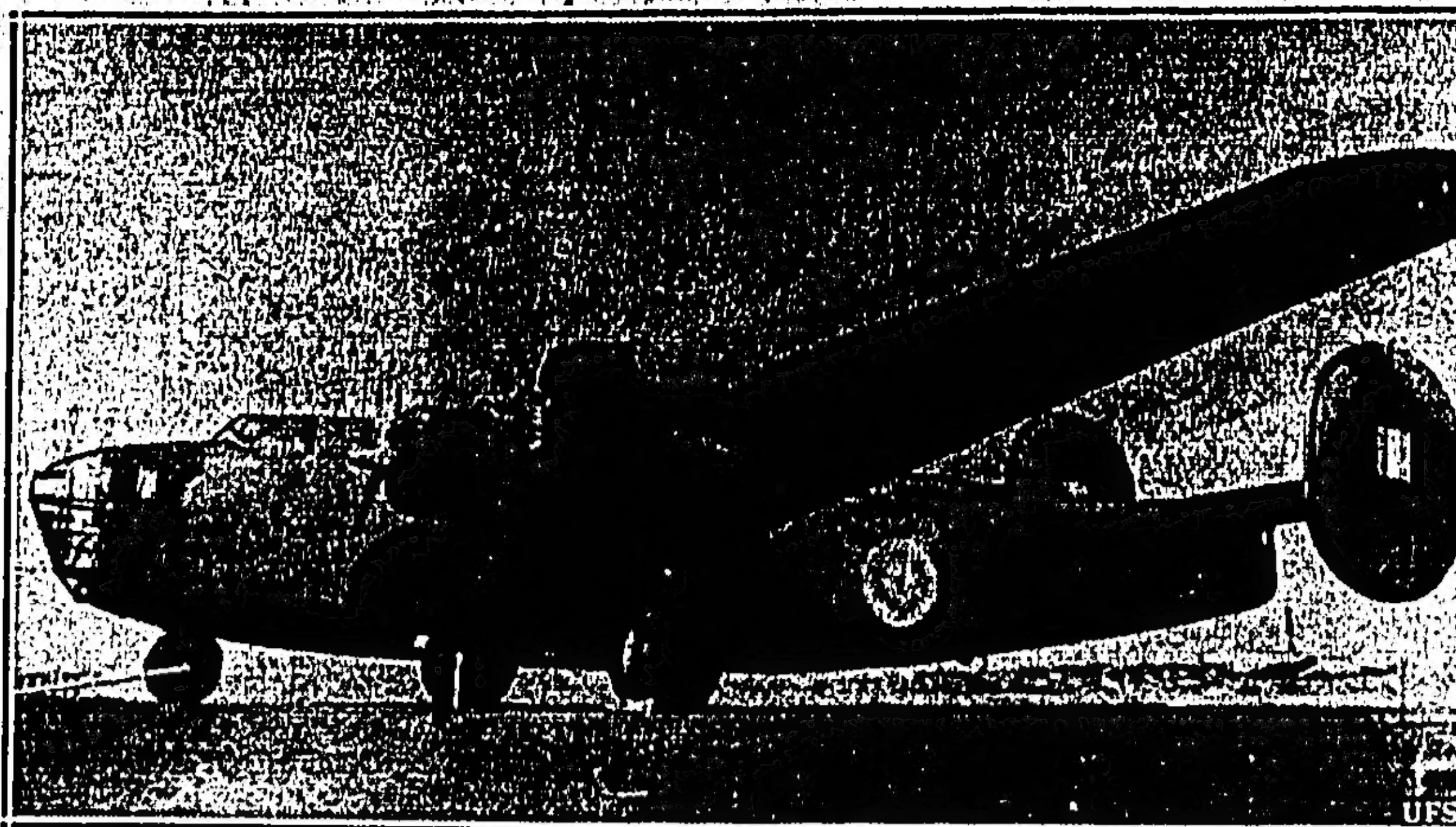


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## BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC

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continue to take toll of both and as the strength of the co-operation of the Navy with the Coastal Command increases and the number of escorting destroyers and corvettes expands, the toll of the enemy will increase until the Battle of the Atlantic is won.

The First Lord said that we had got to continue fighting, labouring and struggling to get back to something like the escort position we had in the last war when we worked not only as a single fleet but had five powerful Allied fleets and five times the present number of destroyers. "The amazing thing is that the testing our convoys and hunting German pirates."

**Off Libyan Coast**  
Continuing, Mr. Alexander said: "It is not that to-day the Navy is criticised for not having prevented Italian and German reinforcements reaching Libya. But remember that the decision having been taken to support Greece—which surely in honour we were bound to do—we had to perform the great task of transporting very large numbers of troops and equipment which was safely done, thanks to the Royal Navy."

"We had at the same time to maintain supplies to the garrisons in Libya. In spite of all that has been said about enemy reinforcements, we have destroyed Italian transports running into a tonnage of six figures."

**No Apology**  
"I do not think that the Government has any need to apologise for its decision to go to the aid of Greece or the Navy to apologise for its work."

R.A.F. bomber pilots, he said, were striking back and striking hard, and it was evident from the complaints over the German wireless after the raids on Berlin, Kiel and Bremen that the Germans did not like it. Mr. Alexander concluded: "We must go on with that until we win." Navy has kept the life-line open," Mr. Alexander said.

**Conservative Estimates**  
"He continued: "We published the other day that we had many hundreds of U-boat prisoners, but many more of the U-boat personnel lie at the bottom of the ocean. I can assure you that reports to the Admiralty of our anti-submarine captains are heavily always on the conservative side."

Speaking of the ten Coast Guard cutters America had sent to Britain, the First Lord said: "Believe me they are some ships. Most of them are a little bit bigger than destroyers. They were built to stop the ships of bootleggers and I think they will be even more usefully employed in protecting our shipping."

## Princess Focussed Bomb Sights

Princess Elizabeth recently sat at the controls of a Hudson aircraft of the R.A.F. coastal command, while Princess Margaret, lying down flat, focussed the bomb sights on an imaginary target.

The sisters had climbed excitedly aboard, watched by the King and Queen.

It was the Princesses' first visit to an R.A.F. station in war-time.

At the station the King decorated 18 R.A.F. officers and men for gallantry in face of the enemy.

## Spanish Cabinet Convened

MADRID, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—"Senor Suner made a statement on the various aspects of the international situation relating to the important diplomatic happenings of the present moment," declared an official statement after a two-day Cabinet meeting ending last night.

The Phalanx newspaper, "Arriba," follows this up with an article, somewhat reminiscent of others printed at the time when Spain was faced with political decisions. "Arguments alien to the only foreign policy to which our destiny ties us cannot be considered," states "Arriba," adding that foreign affairs must be viewed in unity and those who think otherwise are traitors and cowards.

## MALTA RAID

**Some Damage To Civilian Property: Few Casualties**  
CAIRO, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—The enemy attacked Malta during the night of April 18, causing some damage to civilian property, but few civilian casualties.

One Junkers was shot down into the sea.

From all operations, one of our fighters is missing.

## Three Fighters Down

MALTA, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—A small formation of Italian Savoia bombers, escorted by Italian Fiat biplane fighters and Messerschmitts, flew over Malta this morning.

Bombs were dropped in the sea and the anti-aircraft defences were heavily engaged.

British fighters shot down three Fiat fighters into the sea and damaged a fourth which is unlikely to have reached its destination, states an official communique.

All British fighters landed unscathed and there were no casualties.

## Communal Rioting In India Costs Lives

AHMEDABAD, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—One person was killed and four were wounded when the police opened fire for the second time on a rioting mob to-day.

More than 400 persons have been taken into custody. The latest casualties in communal rioting which broke out on Friday are 50 killed and 304 wounded.

## SHAOSHING CAPTURED

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resistance to the Japanese landing at various points along the east Chekiang coast, and others pushing southward from Shao-shan and other points on the south bank of the Chientang River.

More than 20 Japanese warships arrived off the coast at Chinghai on the morning of 19. At 1 p.m. Japanese from the warships landed at points east and west of Chinghai under a naval barrage, and headed for Chinghai. After meeting with stubborn Chinese resistance, the Japanese landed reinforcements and pushed up along the south bank of the Yang River.

Japanese landing at Haimen, important seaport at Lingking Harbour, on the same morning took possession of the town and immediately pushed westward to Hwangyen which also fell into their hands toward evening. The Chinese are attempting to check their advance in the neighbourhood of Hwangyen.

## Shaoshing Falls

Shaoshing, famous wine-producing town on the south bank of Hangchow Bay, about 35 miles southeast of Hangchow, is admitted to have fallen on April 17. Japanese troops who entered the town began to push southwestward. They have passed through Liukungfow and Fengkiao and are meeting with resistance at Sientwan.

Japanese troops pushing southward from Shao-shan, on the south bank of the Chientang River, opposite Hangchow, have been meeting with resistance at Yikiao, Linpu, Yangkung-fow and other points along the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway.

Japanese troops who crossed the Fuchun River and penetrated into Tayan on the south bank of the river continue to push southward. They are intercepted by the Chinese at Yintienkai, northwest of Chuk.

## Magyars Release Croats

BUDAPEST, Apr. 20 (Reuter).—Admiral Horthy has ordered the release of Yugo-Slav war prisoners of Croat nationality, according to Budapest newspapers, says a Budapest dispatch to the official German news agency.

The prisoners will be allowed to return to their homes in Croatia immediately, adds the message.

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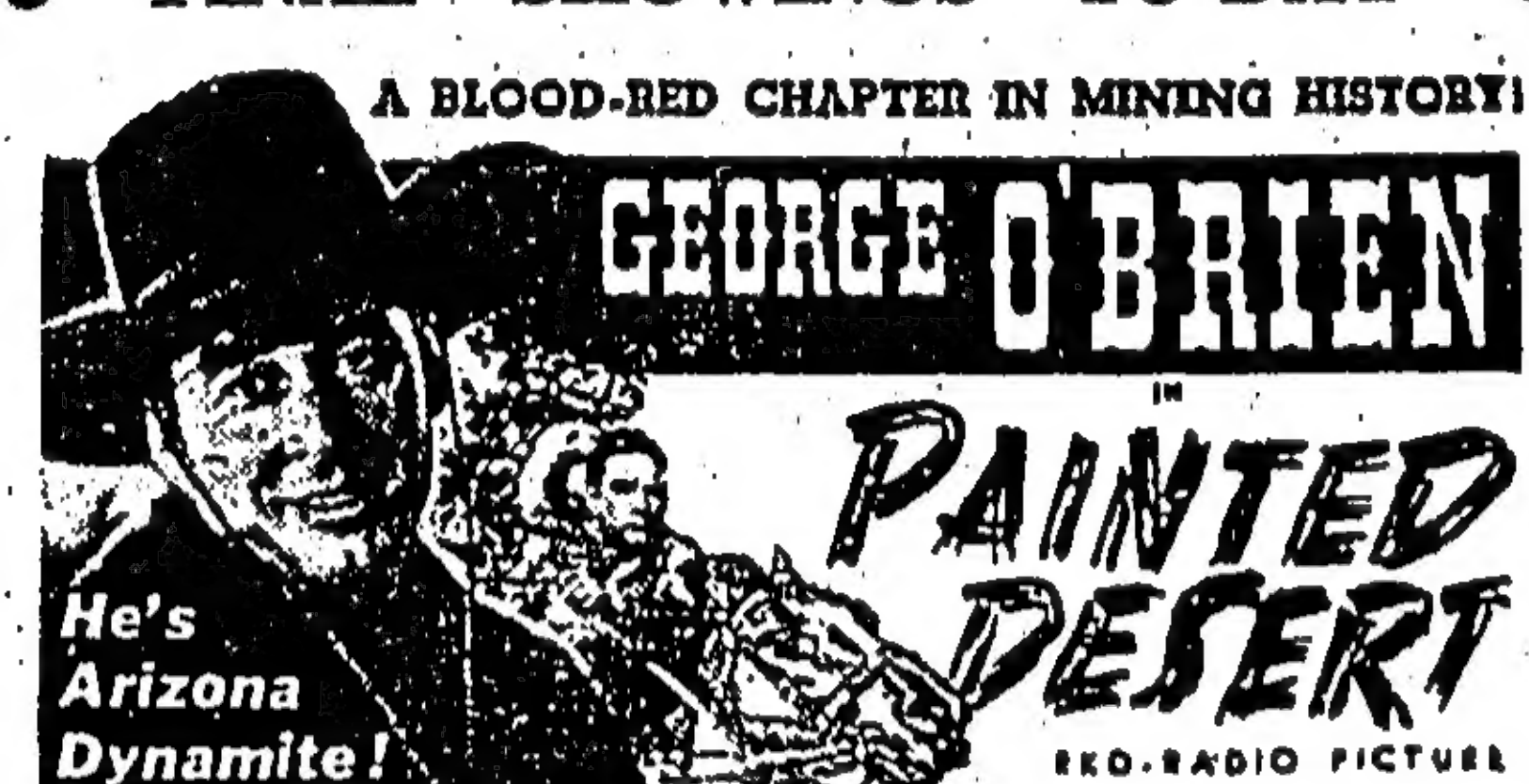
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